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Saint Anne

216 East Liberty St.

Fax: (803)778-1644

Confession:

Sat: 3:00-4:00pm

(or by appointment)

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 12:00noon



Saint Jude

611 West Oakland Ave

Confession:

Sat: 4:30-5:30pm

(or by appointment)

Mass Times

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:15am, 5:00pm

12:00pm (Spanish)

Saint Anne and Saint Jude Roman Catholic Church

November 11, 2018



32nd SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:43

Pastor : Rev. Giovannie Nunez, CRM

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Rufino C. Madridejos, Jr., CRM

Deacon Stephen Frye

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Ministry Coordinator : Donna Kearney Donna@sasjrcc.org

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Youth Minister: Frank Costas Frank@sasjrcc.org

Parish Receptionist: Tina Couture Tina@sasjrcc.org

St. Lawrence Cemetery - John Macmaster (803) 968-3466

The Parish Office (located at St. Anne) (803) 773-9244 (803)773-3524

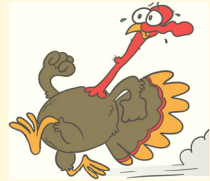
Mon-Thurs 9:00am - 4:00pm Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm

Diocesan Office of Child Protective Services Bonnie Sigers 843-261-0430

Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister Louisa Storen 843-856-0748



The Hispanic Community will host a Food Sale at the Saint Jude Location on Sunday, November 11th starting at 9:00am. Funds are being raised for the Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Come out and have some amazing food and support this beautiful parish event.



Turkey Bingo

Turkey Bingo will take place at the Parish Center at St. Jude on **November 18th at 2 pm.**

All are invited and there is **no cost.** Donations for charity are accepted. Come out and play **BINGO** for a chance to win a **turkey** for your Thanksgiving Dinner.

Sumter United Ministries



has asked our parish to donate **150 cans** of Cranberry Sauce to go in the Thanksgiving Baskets for those in need within the Sumter Community. If you wish to help, please drop off your donations at the Saint Anne Parish Office or the Saint Anne and Jude Catholic School Office during normal school hours.

All donations are needed by **Wednesday, November 14th.**

May God bless you for all you do for our parish!

The next Women's Guild Meeting will be **Sunday, November 11.** All Ladies of the parish are welcome. We meet in the Saint Anne Parish Center 1:30pm to 3:00pm!



BAKE SALE

The annual guild bake sale will be next weekend, November 17-18, after all Masses at both locations.

Yum...yummm...yummmmm !!

Saint Anne Sunday Adult Education

Join the St. Anne Sunday Adult Ed group as we explore various aspects of our incredible faith. We meet after the 8:00 am Mass in the Adult Ed room (the old Kindergarten). Come by and be enriched by the faith, fellowship, and our donut ministry. For info contact Charley Francis at cfrancis@ftc-i.net or 803-469-4584.

November 18—Leo IX, Gregory VII, and Church Reform

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA, the process for welcoming adults into the Catholic Church, has started for St. Anne & St. Jude and Our Lady of the Skies (Shaw AFB). We meet Wednesdays, 7 to 9 PM in the St. Jude Parish Center at 611 W. Oakland Ave. Please call Jackie Francis, our RCIA Coordinator, at 803-469-4584 if you have any questions. The doors are open to all who want to know more about the life and teaching of the Catholic faith. Come and join us!

Wednesday—November 14: Eschatology: The "Last Things"
Presenter: Tripp Jensen

A sincere thank you to Joan and Jeff Edwards for the delicious refreshments they provided October 31.

¡El Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (RCIA) Comenzará! ¿Has pensado en completar tus sacramentos para tener participación plena en la Iglesia Católica? ¿Quieres saber más sobre la Fe? ¿Fuiste bautizado en la Iglesia Católica pero has recibido la Eucaristía ni la Confirmación? RICA, el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos, proceso que da la bienvenida a adultos dentro de la Iglesia Católica, El curso se lleva a cabo cada domingo antes de la Misa en español, empezando a las 10:15 a.m. y terminando a las 11:45am, diez minutos antes de la Misa, en la última aula del pasillo exterior del Centro Parroquial de San Judas. Si estás interesado o sabes de alguien que se interese por favor llama a Ma. Elena Ferrell, nuestra coordinadora de RICA en español, al 803 840 5149, o habla con alguno de los Padres.

SASJ Bible Study

Mission: To bring the Scriptures to life for our parish community. Come journey with us as we discover who Jesus was and is. All are welcome.

We will begin a series on catholic beliefs, a deep look at the Nicene Creed

We meet on Sundays at 10:30 am in St Jude Conference Room.

Facebook: SASJ Bible Study

questions? Please contact Greg at (803) 406-0201 or gtavarez@sc.rr.com



GAME NIGHT

Thursdays

November 15, 2018
November 29, 2018



WHERE: ST JUDE LOCATION
STARTING AT 6:30PM AND ENDING 8:30PM.
ALL ARE WELCOME, COME AND HAVE SOME FUN.
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT BILL EAKER (803) 481-8155
(Adults Only Please)

Sumter Catholic Young Adults: Flock17

Who's it for: Basically anyone 18-39ish, Single or married, Student, Professional, Military, or between jobs. Doesn't matter

Keep up with us on Facebook: **FLOCK17**

contact

Greg at (803) 406-0201 or gtavarez@sc.rr.com





The 521 Project

To find out the latest on Our New Church, check out the SASJRCC.org website and click the "Our New Church" tab on the top right of your screen. The Steering Committee is working to move us forward and give our new church life. Stay in the know with monthly meeting minutes and updates. Have a question or suggestion for the committee?? Email it directly to them using the website. Check it out!!

The Light House Kiosk has exciting new offerings for the HOLY SAINTS of our church. Check it out and see what you can learn about your favorites.



Knights of Columbus

In solidarity with our priests; supporting our parish and community through works of charity. Help us to help others by becoming a Knight. Call Chris Hilditch, Grand Knight, 803-316-6283 for more information. www.sumterkofc.org. Council meetings take place the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM Council Hall located at 2325 Camden Hwy.

The Sumter Cursillo Movement

Interested? Contact Noreen Wall 803-506-4408 Or Andrea Marcella 803-481-4269

Charismatic Prayer Group

Meets every Wednesday from 7:00pm-8:30pm in the Library at Saint Jude. Everyone is welcome!

Prison Ministry Interested?

Contact Richard Boisvert 803-406-0653.

Ministerio de la Prisión

¿Estás interesado en servir en este ministerio? Llama a Ma. Elena al 803 773 5606.

Knights of Peter Claver And Ladies Auxiliary

Your Invitation to Catholic Action To support parish and community activities. To provide charitable support to worth while causes. To provide social and intellectual fellowship. If you are interested, then become a Knight or Lady of Saint Peter Claver. For information call (803) 883-7113.

Baptism: Please call the Parish office to make instruction arrangements for parents & godparents.

Baptism in English Usually available on the 4th Saturday of the month

Baptism in Spanish usually available on the 3rd Saturday of the month

Matrimony: Couples planning to marry in the church should contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

Reconciliation (Saint Anne) : Saturday 3:00-4:00pm prior to the 4:30pm Vigil Mass and by appointment.

Reconciliation: (Saint Jude) : Saturday 4:30-5:30pm prior to the 6:00pm Vigil Mass and by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please contact the Priest if you are admitted to the hospital.

Rito del Martes de Adoración al Santísimo

La adoración semanal está abierta a todos. Se expone el Santísimo Sacramento del Altar todos los martes en San Judas dependiendo desde las 8am a las 6:30 después de rezar el Rosario. También los animamos a participar en la adoración mensual que se hace cada Viernes primero del mes de 6pm-8am. Se les invita a todos a asistir. Adquirirán gracias especiales por sus esfuerzos. Demos le gracias al Señor!!

Tuesday Adoration at the Saint Jude Location

Weekly Adoration is open to everyone. If you would like to sign up for specific time slots, the points of contact are Calvin Glisson (803) 521-3812 and Ray Blanchette (803) 481-5690.

First Friday Devotion / Adoration will begin at 6:30pm in St. Anne's Little Chapel December 7th.

St. Lawrence Cemetery and Columbarium

The columbarium is located in a beautiful garden setting in St. Lawrence Cemetery and provides a reverential place of interment for the cremated ashes of our beloved deceased. *Interment of more than one person or cremains in one cemetery plot will incur additional expenses applicable at the time of request and must be approved by the cemetery management. Please Contact John MacMaster (803) 968-3466 for more information.

Volunteers Needed

We are in need of part time volunteers to help with maintenance at St. Anne & St Jude. Please contact David Marcella @ 803-481-4269 if you have any time or talent to give to the churches.

Se Necesitan Voluntarios

Necesitamos voluntarios de medio tiempo para ayudar con el mantenimiento de Sta. Ana y San Judas. Si tienes habilidades y tiempo para ayudar por favor ponte en contacto con Ma Elena al 803 773 5606.

Business Cards

We also would like the business cards of any parishioner that owns a business so that we can use your services instead of calling an unknown outside business.

Tarjetas de Presentación

Si tienes tarjetas de presentación de tu negocio, déjalas en la oficina de Sta. Ana para que los que necesiten de tus servicios puedan contactarte. Preferimos patrocinar a los miembros de nuestra comunidad que a otros negocios desconocidos.

Sacramentos:

Bautismos - Favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial para obtener instrucción de arreglos para padres y padrinos.

Bautismos en Español - Estarán disponibles el tercer sábado del mes

Matrimonio - Parejas planeando casarse en la Iglesia deben contactar al Pastor al menos seis meses en anticipación.

Confesiones (San Judas) - Los sábados de las 4:30-5:30pm antes de la misa vespertina de las 6pm o por cita.

Unción de Enfermos - Favor de contactar al Sacerdote si lo ingresan a usted o a un familiar en el hospital.



We are still collecting Box Tops for Education. They can be dropped off in the box at the entrance to St. Jude Church, at the St. Anne Church office or at the school. Please pay attention to the expiration date. Are you interested in learning to **Speak Conversational Spanish**? We are organizing a class for one evening a week starting in January. There will be a one-time fee of \$20 for the class. Please call the school office (803-775-3632) if you are interested.

Catholic Youth of Sumter

Haven't tried the Catholic Youth of Sumter ...Why not?? All Middle School and High School Youth are invited to Join us Sunday, November 11th 6:00pm—8:00pm in the Youth Building at St. Jude . We'll have some good food, a little fun and a lot of fellowship.

No te has unido al grupo de jóvenes de Sumter? Qué esperas? El grupo de jóvenes de Sumter se reúne los **Domingos por la tarde de 6:00pm-8:00pm, en el edificio de jóvenes de San Judas**. Está abierto a todos los jóvenes de los grados 5 a 12 de la Iglesia de Santa Ana y San Judas, y de Nuestra Señora de los Cielos.

TODO SOBRE FE, TODO SOBRE DIVERSION Y TODO SOBRE TI!!

All About FAITH... All About FUN...All About YOU!!

SASJ_CYS We now have our own YouTube channel. Please subscribe.

Christ Experience is a retreat for **Young Adults** ages **18 to 35** years old. Provided by the Office of Hispanic Ministry. Our focus is to tackle issues such as addiction, chastity, relationships, the talks and the testimonies are designed to direct our young adults to have a personal encounter with God through the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. The retreat will be on **November 16-18** in Camp Kinard, Batesburg SC. The cost is \$120.00 and covers the costs of the retreat center as well as meals for the weekend. Contact **Reinaldo Mendoza** or The Parish Office .

Experiencia de Cristo es un retiro para jóvenes adultos de 18 a 35 años de edad. Es un refugio que es proporcionado por la oficina del Ministerio Hispano en la diócesis de Charleston. Nuestro objetivo es abordar cuestiones como la adicción, la castidad, las relaciones, las conversaciones y los testimonios están diseñados para dirigir a nuestros jóvenes a tener un encuentro personal con Dios a través de los sacramentos de la reconciliación y la Eucaristía. El retiro será del 16 al 18 de noviembre en el campamento de Kinard, Batesburg SC. El costo es de \$120. 00 y cubrirá los costos del centro de retiros, así como sus comidas para el fin de semana.

Faith Formation 2018-2019 Religious Education

Classes are offered Sunday mornings from 10:30am to 11:30am at the St. Jude location. Registration is now closed.

Saint Anne and Saint Jude Roman Catholic Church presented a sexual abuse prevention program, **Teaching Touching Safety**, to our students on, **Sunday, October 21st** with a make-up date, **Sunday, October 28th**. This program is provided to us by the Diocese of Charleston and is a part of our ongoing effort to help create and maintain safe environments for all children and youth in our care.

If your child did not attend either offered session but you would like them to, please call the Office of Faith Formation.

<http://tncrrg.virtus.org/touchingsafety/charleston.cfm>

NOVEMBER '18						
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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22 Thanksgiving Day
25 No Class

Our Commitment to a Safe Environment

Saint Anne and Saint Jude Roman Catholic Church is dedicated to providing a safe environment for our children to learn their faith and further a love of Christ. We are committed to upholding the National Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People" as established by the United States Council of Bishops.

All adults who work with children must:

- *Complete the Safe Haven—It's Up To You Online Program
- * Be Screened by Law Enforcement (Background Screening)
- * Adhere to the DOC Code of Conduct (Copy available in Church office, Church library, DRE office & online at www.sccatholic.org)
- * Read and sign the DOC Sexual Abuse Policy and Procedures.

Victim Assistance Coordinator, Louisa Storen, LISW is available to anyone who has questions or needs help. 843-856-0748 or 1-800-921-8122

PROMISE TO PROTECT



PLEDGE TO HEAL

BELIEVE IN THE POSSIBILITY OF HELP AND HEALING. THERE IS HOPE.

Your local Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. We will listen to your needs and support you. We will help you make a formal complaint and arrange a personal meeting with the bishop, or his delegate, if desired. We encourage you to come forward and speak out.

November 17 / 18	Lector	Sacristan	EMOHC	Altar Server	Usher
Saturday, 4:30 PM	Mary Jones J Seth	Therese DeAngeli	Therese DeAngeli Cathy Sides Louise Bock	Meagan Jamison John Jamison Kairi Barwick	Filipe Vergara Joey Duggan
Saturday, 6:00 PM	Jim Kaczmarczyk Ray Blanchette	Calvin Glisson	Calvin Glisson Rose Sestokas Minister Needed	Servers Needed	Char Mossell Al Mossell
Sunday, 8:00 AM	Kristi Doyle Susanne Brotherton	Karl Selden	Dee Reiter Mike Doyle Charley Francis	Adam Reisenauer Jonah Reisenauer Jessica Puccinelli	Frank Brown TG Manus Jack Reyling
Sunday, 9:15 AM	Radene Miller Thomas Miller	Jack Hemming	Paul Krouse Bill Todt Jack Hemming	Nathan Costas Alyssa Costas	Ernest Gamble Hazel McLean
Sunday, 12:00 PM	Aida Sikora Michel Fleming	John Owen	John Owen Janie Stokes Rose Mary Dannelly	Dominic Neil Nevaeh Little Shannon Sieger	John Owen
Sunday, 12:00 PM	Ana Centeno Velasco Manuel Ramon	Manuel Ramon	Sonia Orellana Marlem Velazquez Ricardo Sierra-Montes	Liliana Martinez Castillo Santiago Rivera Rosalba Torres Rivera	Manuel Ramon Ricardo Sierra-Montes
Sunday, 5:00 PM	Rose Sestokas Fatima Hernandez	Chris Black	Darlene Hilditch Chris Black Calvin Glisson	Austin Foddrill	Sammy Burrows Calvin Glisson

Please pray for:

Roscoe Pendry
Gail Johnson
Richard Fales
Francis McBride
Rose Schenkel
Lawrence Braswell
Roberta Legendre
Mary Johnson
Tam Pham
Marie Savio
Cindy Hogan
David McDonald
William Rickard
Cherise Williams
James Van Frank
Diane Centofanti
Richie Tallman
Christopher Rosa
Katharina Clark
Austin Youngers
Mary Anne Damuth
Michelle Briggs
Barbara Dupree
Amani Williams
Brian Conklin
Rita Gallahar
Kim DeBraal
Ursula Guest
Chelato Family
Marie Fernandes
Danita Russell
Sally Clark
Patricia Kohner
Jean Jose
Taylor Scofield
Shirley Johnson
Maryn Dault
Margaret Huber
Tony Wicker
Roberta Carter
Sterling Fisher
Charlotte McPherson
Nona Sewell
Paul Gober
Tonya Venezia
Daniel P. Lawless
Henry Langlois
Barry Ferrell
Amy Ferrell
Jan Ferrell
Pete Watcher
Hayes E. Baker
Timothy Subocz
Francine Cronia
Helen Scannapieco
Jack Hemming Sr.
Mamie Williams
Alyce Brunke
Talmadge Riddick
Andree Bessette
Walter Boone
Allen Primos
Alvin Fusetti
Nancy David
Flossie Brailsford
Seth Dyke
Estella Richardson

Parish App!!

Still haven't downloaded the PARISH APP for your iPhone or Android Phone!! www.Myparishapp.com. If you would like help installing the App or a brief tutorial on the features please call the Parish Office.

Aplicación de la Parroquia ¿Todavía no has bajado la aplicación de nuestra parroquia?

www.Myparishapp.com

Si necesitas ayuda para instalarla en tu cel o quieres aprender cómo funciona llama a la oficina de la parroquia.

The Official Saint Anne and Saint Jude T-Shirt

A durable Gildan T-shirt in Heather Gray with our SASJ Logo on the front, Initials on the sleeve, and Isaiah 12 : 2 on the back.

Purchase yours through the Parish Office \$15.00 each



Thank You For the Continued Support !!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

For the weekend of November 4, 2018

Offertory \$ 20,637.00
Online Giving \$ 2,341.00
\$ 22,978.00

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Our volunteer maintenance coordinator, David Marcel-la, is looking for volunteers to help with St. Anne Facility Maintenance Day on every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month from 9:00am until finished. Come out to mow, weed, edge, rake or do general clean up of our Parish facility. Our Next Date is Saturday, November 17th



Online Giving

A Secure and Convenient way to contribute to your parish

<https://www.sasjrcc.org/onlinegiving/>

- No need to hassle with checks or cash
- 24/7 web based access
- Easily schedule recurring donations to coincide with your pay period
- Credit card option allows you to take advantage of rewards such as air miles or cash bonuses
- No need to share bank account information because you enter it directly into the Online Giving secure site
- Allows you to give even if you are unable to attend parish services
- Contribution amount is easily adjusted .

Please help us keep this list updated. If a name can be removed, PLEASE let us know.

**United Mass Intentions
for the week of
November 10 through November 18**

Saturday	8:15am	All Souls Novena	
Saturday	4:30pm	All Souls Novena	
Saturday	6:00pm	All Souls Novena	
Sunday	8:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory	
Sunday	9:15am	✠Guido Centofanti	Diane Centofanti
Sunday	12:00pm English	✠Mary Hartley	Hartley Family
Sunday	12:00pm Spanish	All Souls Novena	
Sunday	5:00pm	Intentions of Father Rufino	Ultreya
Monday	7:00am	Intentions of Yvonne Bauer	Seth Family
Tuesday	7:00am	Saint Anne and Saint Jude	
Wednesday	7:00am	✠John W. Stabile	Carol McCaskey
Thursday	8:15am	Saint Anne and Saint Jude	
Friday	8:15am	Intentions of Pauline Anderson	Margaret Sullivan
Saturday	8:15am	Conversion of Sinners	Foyle Family
Saturday	4:30pm	Saint Anne and Saint Jude	
Saturday	6:00pm	✠Andy Jurusik	Rosemary Jurusik
Sunday	8:00am	Intentions of Father Gio	Knights of Columbus
Sunday	9:15am	All RCIA Catechumens & Candidates	Jackie Francis
Sunday	12:00pm English	✠Paul Flattery	Stokes Family
Sunday	12:00pm Spanish	Saint Anne and Saint Jude	
Sunday	5:00pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory	Foyle Family



If you or a family member are admitted to a hospital or nursing facility, or are homebound and unable to attend Mass, *YOU* must notify the Parish Offices, Priest or Deacon. *Privacy Laws* prevent hospitals or a nursing facility from notifying us directly.

Si tu o algún miembro de tu familia es admitido a un hospital, clínica de rehabilitación, residencia de ancianos, o está confinado al hogar y no puede asistir a Misa, tú debes notificarlo a la oficina parroquial o alguno de los Padres. Las leyes de privacidad no permiten que los hospitales y las demás instituciones médicas avisen a la iglesia directamente.

Sunday, November 11

St. Anne Eucharist - 8:00am, 12:00pm

St. Jude Eucharist-9:15am, 5:00pm

12:00 noon (Spanish)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

10:30am-11:30am

CATHOLIC YOUTH OF SUMTER

6:00pm—8:00pm

Monday, November 12

Veterans Day!

Saint Jude - 7:00am - Daily Mass

Tuesday, November 13

Saint Jude - 7:00am - Daily Mass

~Adoration~

Saint Jude - 7:00pm - Parish Pastoral Council

Wednesday, November 14

Saint Jude - 7:00am - Daily Mass

Thursday, November 15

Saint Anne - 8:15am - Daily Mass

Friday, November 16

Saint Anne - 8:15am - Daily Mass

Saturday, November 17

Saint Anne - 8:15am - Daily Mass

Saint Anne Confession 3:00-4:00pm

Saint Anne Vigil Mass - 4:30pm

Saint Jude Confession 4:30-5:30pm

Saint Jude Vigil Mass - 6:00pm

Sunday, November 18

St. Anne Eucharist - 8:00am, 12:00pm

St. Jude Eucharist-9:15am, 5:00pm

12:00 noon (Spanish)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

10:30am-11:30am

CATHOLIC YOUTH OF SUMTER

Daily Mass at Saint Anne on Thursday, Friday and Saturday will be celebrated in the church, not in the small chapel.

Mass Intentions can be booked through the office Monday thru Thursday 9:00am—4:00pm and 9:00am to 12 noon on Friday.

VETERANS DAY

REMEMBER.
HONOR.
RESPECT.



What does sacrifice look like? I think of those who serve in the Armed Forces. They have sacrificed much for my freedom and to work towards real peace in our world. I think of those in service to our Church: priests, deacons, and religious. Their lives are dedicated to prayer and good works so that the Good News might not only be preached but be seen in the love they display toward God and their fellow brothers and sisters. I think of parents who stay up long nights with sick children and then one day find themselves staying up even longer as they wait for them to return home. I think of teachers who work hard to educate the next generation of citizens with low salaries and little respect.

I can see sacrifice all around me. I think you can see it, too, if you look. However, I also see too many seeking to get ahead at the expense of others. I see those who have so much and only crave for more. I see those caught up in themselves to the point where families fall apart, friendships disappear, and people literally die from a lack of compassion. I see many who have forgotten where all their gifts in this world came from, if they even knew in the first place.

I think of all those who sacrifice and see all those who do the opposite. May our eyes see more of those who are generous. May we never focus on those who have forsaken others more than those who have given freely to others. May the witness of true sacrifice show us the way to the Father and to a world full of His love.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

HAPPY VETERANS DAY

11 de noviembre de 2018

32o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

El punto de la enseñanza de hoy es muy adecuado para la sociedad moderna. En los tiempos antiguos, como ahora, la lucha de muchas personas estribaba en cómo prescindir del materialismo, de lo superfluo.

Desear poco y ocupar poco es lucha y reto. El padre Pedro Arrupe, sacerdote Jesuita, expresaba lo innecesario de la siguiente forma: "Lo superfluo se torna conveniente, lo conveniente necesario, y lo necesario imprescindible." Jesús, enseña a la gente a estar alerta de no ser hipócritas como los maestros de la Ley.

Decía: "Cuidense de esos maestros de la Ley a quienes les gusta pasear con amplias vestiduras, ser saludados en las plazas y ocupar asientos reservados en las sinagogas y los banquetes" (Marcos 12:39-40). El problema, no estaba en el vestir bien y ser notables en la sociedad. Sino, en el maltrato que daban a las viudas.

Eso era lo que Jesús condenaba severamente. Por lo tanto Él les explica lo que había visto en el Templo, sobre la ofrenda de la viuda. "Yo les aseguro que esta viuda pobre ha dado más que todos los otros. Pues todos han echado de lo que les sobraba, mientras ella ha dado desde su pobreza; no tenía más, y dio todos sus recursos" (Marcos 12:43-44). ¿Cómo son las ofrendas que damos, de lo que nos sobra o de lo que nos duele dar? Recordemos que ahora tenemos el papel de discípulos misioneros de Jesucristo y se espera que la compasión y la misericordia brote del corazón que ama al Señor.

November 11, 2018 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In 1 Samuel, God advises the prophet Samuel not to observe as men see but as God sees. He tells him to "look to the heart."

This is the movement of this

Sunday's Gospel reading. "Beware the scribes," Jesus advises.

He points out their public greetings and "seats of honor," which stands in sharp contrast to their private greed.

For the Jewish people of Jesus' day, honor resides at the top.

Power and prestige

Created a high profile back then as it still does today.

After his warning, Jesus turns his disciples' attention elsewhere: a poor widow.

"She, from her poverty, has contributed all she had." While the scribes donated large sums to the temple, they did so "from their surplus wealth." This woman – in her faith and devotion

– offers "her whole

livelihood." Jesus invited his disciples to see with God's eyes, to recognize a holy life in people the world overlooks.

Here – in the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalized – God waits hidden.

Today's Gospel begs a few questions. What do we see?

Whom do we value? Are we impressed by the pomp and circumstance of modern day Pharisees? Do we ignore their self-righteousness because it looks

impressive, even seems somewhat helpful? The point isn't to judge the scribes, of course. God can see their hearts as well, and those assessments are firmly his responsibility. The point is to turn our eyes from the typically honored to the rarely respected. Are we disinterested in the poverty of the modern day widows? Do we ignore their faith because we forget to look for it? This Sunday, consider the widows in your own life. Who can you see with God's eyes?