LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences) While driving in to work this morning I was listening to a song (based on Psalm 90) that I listen to virtually every day, and yet today these words filled me: “In every age, O God, you have been my refuge; in every age, O God, you have been my hope.” Why are these words resonating with me now? Our lives have been drastically changed since mid-March by the Coronavirus pandemic. Many are suffering and dying from this disease, many are (feeling) isolated, confused, and alone. What was once our normal day-to-day activities and interactions with others is like a distant memory that we long to get back to. To honor life and save people from the risk of contracting this deadly virus we have been social distancing, properly wearing face coverings, and washing our hands so often that our fingerprints feel as if they’re being washed away. We’re finding our way to best live through restrictions, with our most difficult ones of not being able to freely visit with family and friends with compromised health and/or our elders, along with restrictions for attending Mass. Throughout all of time, and during this tumultuous time: God is with us! God is present and guiding us, leading us through this time of unknowing. In Hebrews 11:1-40 we read that “Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen.” This scripture presents us with an inspiring picture of faith: men and women who stood firm in their faith and remained hopeful. How can you remain hopeful? Pray. Reach out to a neighbor who lives alone to see if he/she may need help with shopping, putting out trash, etc. Follow government advisories and restrictions for the love and safety of all people. Pray. If you are not able to attend Mass in person, be sure to participate virtually and make an Act of Spiritual Communion. FaceTime rather than phone your relatives or friends who can’t receive one-on-one visits – perhaps for them, it may be their one “live” face-to-face connection. Sign up for a community or neighborhood outreach program. Pray (have I said that yet?) Believe and know that God is walking with and guiding us in our day-to-day journeys: God is our refuge, God is our hope!

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**MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, November 14**
5:00pm (O’N) Georgiana Rodrigues (Birthday Remembrance)
Sunday, November 15
8:00am (O’)Frederick Gauch (5th Anniversary)
10:30am (M) George and Helen Leeber
5:00pm (O’) Miguel Borromeo, Brunette Perez
Mercedes Ignacio, Alipio Umten
Evelyn Serra, Miguel Serra, Rosalie David

**Monday, November 16**
9:00am (M) Angelo & Agnes Bucci
Tuesday, November 17
9:00am (O) Mary Mazza (20th Anniversary)
Wednesday, November 18
9:00am (O) Clementino Olliveira (16th Anniversary)

**Thursday, November 19**
9:00am Communion Service
Friday, November 20
9:00am (O’)Jamal Gonsalves – Living (healing and peace)
Connie Cararra
5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet.
Litany to Mary
7:30pm Benediction
Saturday, November 21
5:00pm (O) Mary K. Connerton & Nancy Moitoza
Sunday, November 22, **Feast of Christ the King**
8:00am (O) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
10:30am (O) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
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In the above celebrations:
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**Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

**The Community Action Committee (CAC) Updates:**
**Greeting Card Collection** will not take place at this time due to the pandemic.

**Thanksgiving Baskets:** St. Lucy’s will once again be participating in the annual effort to provide healthy and delicious Thanksgiving meals for our needy brothers and sisters. Again this year food items will be brought to the Salvation Army for their distribution system. Non-perishable items may be placed in the clearly marked blue bins in the narthex of the Church. Frozen turkeys will only be accepted for drop off in the Parish Center on **Friday, November 20th by 1pm**. (CAC)

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Thank you for your generosity!!

**Virtual Open Houses at Catholic High Schools:**
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**Drop off** Thanksgiving Baskets: All donations are due by 1pm on Thursday, November 19. Basket Drop-off is available on the church steps. Also available is our Facebook page for delivery.

**Suggested items for donation:**
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