

# Dear Padre,

## Is it OK to donate my body to science?

**Yes, and here is some background.** Christ makes possible a new and eternal creation. He “will change our mortal bodies to be like his in glory, for he is risen, the firstborn from the dead” (*Order of Christian Funerals*, 219).

Resurrection, then, is not a return to life as we know it. The body is not a resuscitated one like Lazarus’ (see John 11), but a resurrected one like Christ, transformed and glorified. Christians traditionally revere the body—while alive, and at the time of death—because we are created in God’s image. Some reason that such respect for the body prevents donating it to science, but that’s not the opinion of the Church.

“Catholic health care institutions should encourage and provide the means whereby those who wish to do so may arrange for the donation of their organs and bodily tissue, for ethically legitimate purposes, so that they may be used for donation and research after death” (*The Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 63).

It’s advisable to make this decision to donate in consultation with family members or health care providers. Many, echoing St. John Paul II, consider such a self-giving act in death “with a view to offering a chance of health and even of life itself to the sick who sometimes have no other hope” (*The Gospel of Life [Evangelium Vitae]*, 86) as a supreme manifestation of what it means to be Christian!



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### A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*From our own death and from our gift the life and health of others, sick and suffering, may spring forth, helping to reinforce a culture of help, of giving, of hope, and of life. In the face of the threats against life...society needs these concrete gestures of solidarity and generous love.*

—ADDRESS TO ITALIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE DONATION OF ORGANS, TISSUES, AND CELLS, APRIL 13, 2019

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## Calendar

- Monday**  
NOVEMBER 16  
*Weekday*  
Rv 1:1–4; 2:1–5  
Lk 18:35–43
- Tuesday**  
NOVEMBER 17  
*St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious*  
Rv 3:1–6, 14–22  
Lk 19:1–10
- Wednesday**  
NOVEMBER 18  
*Weekday*  
Rv 4:1–11  
Lk 19:11–28
- Thursday**  
NOVEMBER 19  
*Weekday*  
Rv 5:1–10  
Lk 19:41–44
- Friday**  
NOVEMBER 20  
*Weekday*  
Rv 10:8–11  
Lk 19:45–48
- Saturday**  
NOVEMBER 21  
*Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
Rv 11:4–12  
Lk 20:27–40
- Sunday**  
NOVEMBER 22  
*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*  
Ez 34:11–12, 15–17  
1 Cor 15:20–26, 28  
Mt 25:31–46



# 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020



## Holy Spirit Catholic Church & Christ the King Catholic Mission

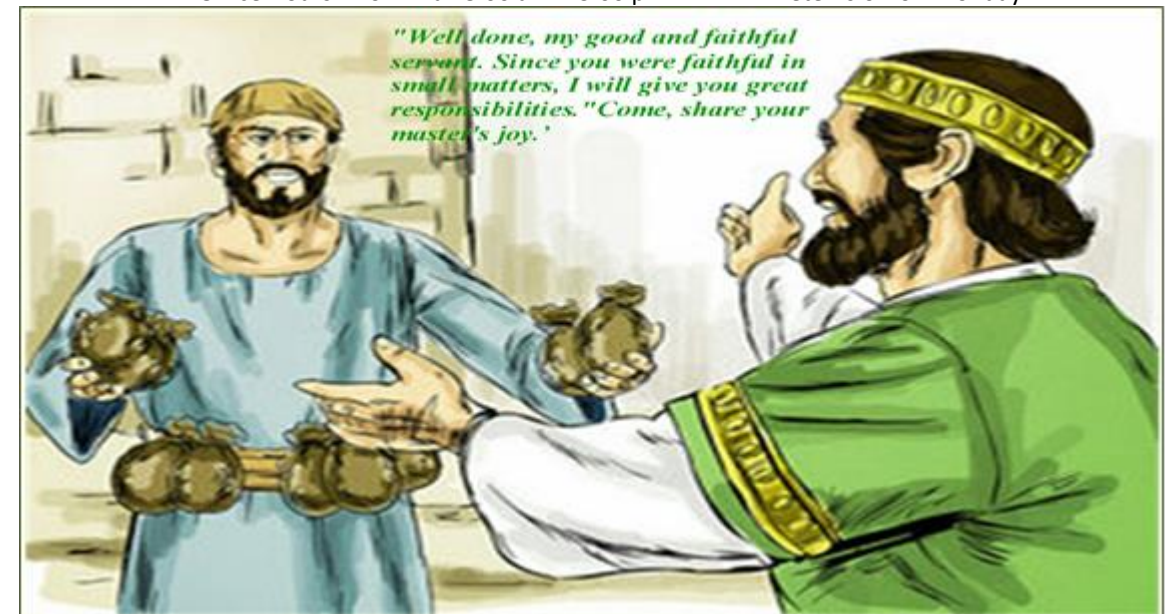
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### Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

*Week of November 14 – November 20*

- Sat 6:00 pm †Barbara Sexton
- Sun 11:00 am †Parishioners Living & Deceased
- Sun 6:00 pm †All Souls in Purgatory
- Mon 8:00 am NO MASS
- Tue 8:00 am †Lawrence Cressonnie
- Wed 8:00 am †Avis Switzer
- Thur 8:00 am †Randy Fountain
- Fri 8:00 am †All Souls in Purgatory

### Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

*Week of November 14 – November 20*

- Sat 4:00 pm †John & Delores Radich
- Sun 9:15 am †Jim Fast (Birthday)
- Tue 6:00 pm †Ores & May Denis

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment  
 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm  
 at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick’s Chapel  
 Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm