

PASTOR'S COLUMN—NOVEMBER 5, 2012

Dear Parishioners:

November is the Church's way of remembering our deceased brothers and sisters who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. Going to visit a cemetery and a particular graveside is a special opportunity to remember the dead but also to clarify our depth of faith in Jesus who is the "resurrection and the life". In fact, the core of Jesus the Son of God present in our humanity is LIFE. Jesus is LIFE for the world but also LIFE after this world.

Pondering a deceased loved one at their graveside is a sobering reminder that life on earth is relatively short. But that same graveside can inspire us to a deeper faith in the risen Christ. Through Baptism we are covered with the risen life of Jesus and the effects of this sacrament are constant and eternal. May this November not only remind us of our deceased brothers and sisters but also remind us of our risen brothers and sisters.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry