

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

5:00 ED KISTO, JR.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:00 CORINNE O'BRIEN & CHARLES KENNEDY

8:30 AL & SUE AMORE

10:00 MARY ELIZABETH MOORE

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 CHARLES SPITZER

5:00 MICHAEL VALENZO

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DOLAN & LYONS FAMILIES & THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

9:00 MICHAEL HEALY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

7:00 NANCY MC VEY

9:00 HOWARD JONES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

7:00 JOHN LONG

9:00 DAVID SMITH

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26

7:00 SR. THERESE O.' CARM

9:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DOLAN & LYONS FAMILIES & THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

7:00 MR. & MRS. ALBERT PERRY

9:00 HON. LOUIS JEROME, SR.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

9:00 JEAN OSBORNE & NICOLE ELLISON

5:00 MR. & MRS. JOSEPH MELLO

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE QUINN & MCCAULEY FAMILIES

9:00 MR. & MRS. ALBERT PERRY

11:00 JOHN T. HARTMANN, SR.

1:00 ERIN FITZPATRICK

5:00 IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF RAY & EVELYN WITTEK

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of the Mary & Frank Santora requested by the Rosetta Messina.

Flowers on the Altar are donated for a Special Intention.

Lectors:

Please pick up your copy of the lector workbook this weekend in the sacristy.

LECTORS

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, November 28

5:00 Bill Jones

Pat Foley

Sunday, November 29

7:00 Vincent Tarasovis

9:00 Theresa Cunningham

Elizabeth D'Antuono

11:00 Ken Wisniewski

Pat Jezycki

1:00 Charles Sullivan

John Mooney

5:00 Robert Mazzucco

Efrain Ortiz

Sick Relatives & Friends

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Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Patricia Repoli, Tim Campagna, Meghan Clark, Alberto Meranda, Jerry Russo, Anna Parente, James Parente, Ruth Manieri, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Michael Rucci, Cpl Justin Campbell, Barbara Brennan, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Richard Nagrowski, Theresa Mirante, Barbara Walsh, Christian Pepo, Joe Arrigo, Thomas Coppola II, Terrence Gibbons, Sondra Cronin, Jean Forte, Baby Michael John DiCostanzo, Bill Kiesewetter, JoAnn DiPietro, Frances Bocignone, Sebastian Lattuga, Linda Browne, Linda Powers, Frances Nodar, Robert Pepe

Collection November 15

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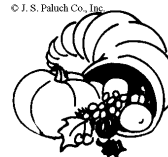
Wedding Banns

II- Lauren Cipoletti and Frank Citera

Tiffany Bari and Joseph Scarpulla

III- Ogheneruona Apoe and Anthony Odili

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The Rectory Office will be closed Thursday & Friday November 26 & 27 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Thanksgiving day is coming up. I congratulate all of you who work so hard to put together a family celebration, which does much to foster love and unity among relatives and friends. You are the Saint Marthas among us who serve. Jesus said *the greatest among you must be your servant*. (Mt. 23:11)

I teach each class in our school from kindergarten to eighth grade each week. I am very glad for the opportunity to share in their education—so important are they to me (and to you). Recently I spoke of the importance of being polite, as did the Apostle, who said: *Love is not rude*. (1 Cor 13:3). I asked the young ones of Sacred Heart School, “What are some of the things that polite people say?” I was impressed when they gave me the right answers, which is a tribute to their good parents who are bringing them up well. They said, ‘excuse me’, ‘I am sorry’, ‘please’ and also ‘thank you’.

The notion of gratitude is on our minds this week on a national level as we celebrate Thanksgiving. Jennifer Hubbard lost her daughter Catherine tragically in the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting. She writes, “I tilt my chin to the sky, allowing the sun’s warmth to reach the depths of my soul -grateful for God’s good light. I cherish the sounds and absorb the beauty that surrounds me - grateful for God’s creation. There was a time when I thought this was the ultimate expression of gratitude, and thankfulness came easily...And then the unthinkable happened, and all I could do was sit in the pew and absorb the words. Only then, when my world was crushed, did I really listen to the words I had prayed my whole life. When I truly heard the words, everything changed. I bow my head and the priest says, ‘Giving you thanks, He broke the bread and gave it to His disciples.’ The magnitude of what is happening convicts me— Jesus is preparing to be beaten and bruised and nailed to a cross, and still He gives

thanks. In His giving thanks, Jesus shows me why it is truly ‘our duty and salvation’. In this moment I see it is not about for what I give thanks, but *in all circumstances give thanks* (1 Thes 5:15).”

Jennifer is correct when she calls our attention to the fact that we do well to give thanks to God always and everywhere, as a fulfillment of duty. In other words, we owe it to God to give Him thanks. Moreover, we gain much from the process. Ann Voskamp wrote a book entitled, *One Thousand Gifts*. It was a bestseller. She writes, “A friend dared me to start counting one thousand things I loved. I took the dare, accepted the challenge, kept track of one thousand things, one thousand gifts—a thousand graces...Before I knew it, thankfulness to God began fully to change me.” She describes having a more complete life as a result: “A life of joy!...the more you count, the more gifts you will see.”

A good practice is to thank God throughout the day for the little things in life: a shower, a meal, a safe journey, a good conversation with a loved one. Certainly we should thank Him for the very act of thanking Him, in other words, thank him for the gift of prayer. Prayer is a very special gift that God bestows upon those dear to Him. Sometimes we are busy and forget to thank God. If that happens we can catch up at night. Prior to going to bed we should not be too busy to go through our memory banks and recall the blessings and graces of each day. It’s a good way to drift off to sleep. Happy Thanksgiving!

Father Eric



Thanksgiving
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Fr. Eric, Fr. Soju and the staff of Sacred Heart Rectory wish all our parishioners a very Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving.

CCD NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS

Thanksgiving Mass - November 24th 7:30 PM please bring a canned good for the needy of our parish. The 3rd and 4th grade will dress up as Pilgrims and Native Americans.

Save the Date: Dec 4th Advent Pot Luck Supper

The Seton Foundation for Learning, a program for developmentally disabled children and young adults ages 3 to 21 years will have representatives at all the masses this weekend at the doors of the Church selling raffle tickets for a \$10,000 savings bond. Tickets are \$10.00 each or 3 for \$25.00. Please support this very worthy program.



Mark Your Calendars: New Mass Schedule

Begins Next Weekend Nov. 28 & 29

Saturday - 5:00pm,

Sunday - 7, 9, 11AM, 1PM and 5PM

Let Sacred Heart Shine!

Sponsor a tree honoring or remembering a loved one this Christmas Season with a minimum gift of \$100.

Trees will adorn the property of Sacred Heart.

Donations can be placed in the collection basket or sent to Sacred Heart Church.



THE GIVING TREE - 'Tis

the season to be thankful for what we have and mindful for the needs of others.

The Special Events Committee invites all our parishioners to take a gift ornament off the Giving Tree next weekend in the church and purchase the item listed on

the ornament for someone in need this Christmas Season. Once you have purchased your gift, please return it wrapped with the ornament tag from the Giving Tree on the outside of the package. You can place your gift under the tree on Sundays or during the week. The cut off date to return the gifts to the Giving Tree is December 13th. We wish to thank all the people of Sacred Heart for always being so generous with your donations to the Giving Tree. The families and charities receiving your gifts will have a merrier Christmas this year because of you.

Msgr. Farrell HS Christmas Fair - Sun, Dec 6, 10AM-5PM 2900 Amboy Rd. For additional information contact: FarrellChristmasFair@gmail.com

Choir News

Parish Choir/France Voyager Choir sings a glorious end to our liturgical year - don't miss 11:30 AM Sunday Nov. 22nd - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe!

JOIN PARISH CHOIR FOR THE HOLIDAYS! Bring your *sons, daughters, grandchild* (9 and over) and begin the *priceless tradition of singing together from the Mysteries of Advent* through our *beautiful Midnight Mass!* (And beyond, if you can!) See you Wednesday Dec. 9th at 8pm in the (Rectory Basement Parish Hall) *Questions?* 718-442-0058 (VM 24) Pamela

Kids Praise Choir (ages 5-grade 5) is back in the Chapel for rehearsal on Wednesday's (5-6pm)! Hop on Board! *Questions? Registration form required! Free!!* Pamela (VM24) See you Wed. December 2nd at 5pm in the Chapel!

FAMILY CHOIR: MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

December 6-**11AM!!** (See you in the Loft - note the **New Time!!**) Bring the whole family to sing a heart warming 2nd Sunday of Advent Mass!! **Prizes!! Treats!! Coffee!!!**

Brides of 2016!

See you in the loft after any 1pm Mass on Sunday for your music consultation! Pamela (VM-24)

Join a choir today! Put away a hymnbook! Buy a CD! Come with us on our next International Choir Tour!

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 28 & NOVEMBER 29

Saturday, Nov. 28

5:00 Patrick & Keifer Regan

Sunday, Nov. 29

7:00 Kevin Postler & Hayley Bond

9:00 Noelle Ehresman & Kelly O'Neil

11:00 David & Billye Albro

1:00 Maeve Butler & Daniel Ramirez

5:00 Giovanni Ercolano & Bernard Daniels

Christmas at St. Peter's

Start the Christmas season the old fashioned way! St. Peter's H.S. Seton Chorale/Glee Club Alumni present the 6th Annual Alumni Christmas Concert at St. Peter's Church, Dec 13th at 4:00pm. Come, enjoy many traditional carols and new favorites. Tickets are \$10/\$15/\$20; children/students/adults. For more information call Wayne '83 at 718-971-3267. For program ads call Theresa '72 at 718-981-8047.