

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

5:00 GUIDO ANGELI

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:00 GRACE SHAY
8:30 MARY DEVLIN
10:00 MARIE & FRANK BARNARD & LT. ROBERT (BOBBY) RYAN
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 GEORGE RAUTENSTRAUCH
5:00 EDWARD & MARGARET McCAULEY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

7:00 GINO ACCIAVATTI
9:00 REV. JACK WALDRON

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

7:00 JOHN J. LONG
9:00 PATRICIA A. DIXON

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

7:00 ROBERT LEE SILVESTRO
9:00 JOHN E. BAKER

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27

7:00 MR. & MRS. ALBERT PERRY
9:00 IN HONOR OF THE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF KEN & DEBBIE LEIGH

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

7:00 LOUIS CARRIERI
9:00 STEPHEN CREA

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29

9:00 JOHN TORKLESON
5:00 ERIN FITZPATRICK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

7:00 ALLEN TERJESEN
8:30 FRANCO DeGENNARO
10:00 HELEN MULLEN
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 JOHN HARTMANN, SR.
5:00 SR. THERESE MARY, O'CARM & KATHERINE FRIFAEL

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of **Frank J. Santoro** requested by Rossetta Messina and Family.

Flowers on the Altar are for **George Rautenstrauch** requested by Billy Jr., Nicky and Ryan Rautenstrauch

LECTORS

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, November 29

5:00 Bill Jones Regina Torello

Sunday, November 30

7:00 Joe Meagher
8:30 Don O'Shea Mary Ann Gambardella
10:00 Theresa Cunningham Barbara Kelly
11:30 Ken Wisniewski Ken Wisniewski
1:00 Charles Sullivan Dorothy Tarafa
5:00 Bob Mazzucco Wanda Ortiz

Sick Relatives & Friends
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Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Patricia Repoli, Meghan Clark, Tim Campagna, Alberto Meranda, Jerry Russo, Anna Parente, James Parente, Gerard Crane, Ruth Manieri, Rafaela Tierno, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Michael Rucci, Cpl Justin Campbell, Joyce Rusinak, Barbara Brennan, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Richard Nagrowski, Theresa Mirante, Diane Gregorio, Barbara Walsh, Ruth Irons, Christian Pepo, Jim McGinley, Joe Arrigo, Joe Meagher

Wedding Banns

I Francine Caccese and Ralph Respole

Newly Baptized

Peter Andrew Vincent Basile
Victoria Esteves
LillyAnna Faye Gambardella
Christopher Joseph McNally
Taylor Thomson
Jackson Grey Toussaint
Harper Sofia Zotts

Collection November 16

Regular \$6,982.00
Second collection is for Thanksgiving-Human Development.
Seton Foundation will be selling raffle tickets for a \$10,000 savings bond.

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of
Jere M. Lucey

The Rectory Office will be closed Thurs., Nov. 27
and Fri., Nov. 28 in observance of Thanksgiving

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of **Alex Degan** requested
by Iris Mahoney.

IT'S GREAT TO BE GRATEFUL...

Last week as we saw on the news, two window washers were “doing their thing” up on the sixty-eighth floor of the new Freedom Tower in Manhattan when suddenly the scaffolding around them collapsed. The two men were suspended between heaven and earth for almost two hours until they were rescued by New York City firefighters. Choosing the safest option, the firefighters were able to break through the thick glass on the sixty-eighth floor and pull the men to safety.

Former Fire Commissioner Thomas Van Essen commenting on the incident said, “These two men are now a lot older than they were two hours ago!” They were also probably a lot more thankful for the gift of life and also their rescuers. It’s funny isn’t it, that many times we are not grateful for the most basic and fundamental gifts like the gift of life! We just take things for granted. There is a Dutch saying, “We are too soon old and too late smart!” How true. Hopefully as the years go along, we become smarter and wiser and not the opposite!

A very smart and wise attitude to have is one of gratitude. This week on Thursday, we celebrate the Feast of Thanksgiving. It is not a “religious” holiday so to speak, but a National one. Yet, our Catholic Christian faith is fundamentally oriented towards gratitude.

For example, in the Gospel, our Lord Jesus Christ healed ten men with the dreaded disease of leprosy. Only one of those men came back to throw himself down in front of our Lord to thank Him for the gift of healing that he had received. Jesus’ comment, “Where are the other nine?” illustrated that the Lord Himself appreciated gratitude from the human heart.

The word “Eucharist” too, is a Greek word that means “Thanksgiving.” We should be

thankful to Jesus for His presence in the Blessed Sacrament, for that is His greatest gift to us in this world. In our American society today, gratitude is becoming a very rare commodity. For instance, I am told that many young people do not write “Thank you notes” for gifts received.

Recently, a priest told me that he had sent a substantial check to someone and there was absolutely no response. It wasn’t even that he wanted to be thanked but just needed to know if the man had indeed received the gift! Several months later, the priest chanced to meet this individual socially who said, “By the way Father, thanks for the gift!” It’s not a good thing that so many of us are forgetful and ungrateful.

We should be thankful to God for everything that He has given us in this life - our faith, our families, our freedoms and our very existence! On this coming Thursday, “Thanksgiving Day” let’s think a little about all that we have instead of thinking about how much more we can get.

A poet once put it this way:

“With legs to take me where I go,
With ears to hear what I would know,
With eyes to see the sunset’s glow -
O’ God forgive me when I whine -
I’m blessed indeed, the world is mine!”

A very happy Thanksgiving to you and your families!

Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome

MASS OF THANKSGIVING Tues., Nov. 25th at 7:30PM in the church. All parishioners are invited to attend. The third and fourth grade students from Sacred Heart School and CCD will be dressed in the costumes of the First Thanksgiving participants- Pilgrims and Native Americans. Each family attending is asked to bring a nonperishable food item for the needy.



SACRED HEART SCHOOL
Office Hours
Mon.-Fri. 7AM-3PM.

Choir News 

CCD - December Classes - 3, 10

SACRED HEART CHRISTMAS FAIR Dec. 7th. Donations are needed for our raffle baskets. If you would like to donate a NEW item, a completed basket, gift card or even a monetary donation towards the purchase of items to be raffled, please bring it to the rectory or call Nora in the rectory (718-442-0058). All donations are needed by Nov. 28th. (Please donate new items we will NOT have a white elephant table.) Thank you for your support of our annual parish fundraiser.



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(s) off the Giving Tree 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. Please place all gifts under the Giving Tree by December 14th. We wish to thank the our Sacred Heart parishioners 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.

ON THE WAY TO BETHLEHEM An Advent Program in the Spirit of St. Ignatius Loyola will be at Sacred Heart Church on Advent Mondays - Dec. 1,8,15 and 22 after the 9AM Mass and at 7PM in the evening. The program will be comprised of prayer, music and reflection on scripture of the season.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 29 & 30

Saturday, November 29

5:00 Sean Hartnett, Margaret Donovan

Sunday, November 30

7:00 Mary, Siobhan & Kathleen McCafferty

8:30 Carly O'Brien, John Paul Hoey

10:00 Samantha Baniswal, Gabriella Fulton

11:30 Nick & Steven Bivona

1:00 Nicholas Fortunato, Maeve Butler

5:00 Bernard Daniels, Marc Artuz

France Traveling Choir joins Parish Choir today 11:30AM for a rousing Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Mass! Don't miss this glorious celebration of the end of our liturgical year!!
Join a Choir Speaking of joining a choir, now is a perfect time to join Parish Choir!! Singing with PC for the next two months will guarantee you/your family the awe, joy and wonder of singing together during this holiday season!! Amazing music liturgies from Advent to the magic of Midnight Mass/ Christmas Eve!! Hop on board!! Bring a friend, a spouse, a niece, a nephew - make this a holiday season to remember... better yet, create a new tradition for yourself and your families to savor every year for years to come!!

Questions?? Pamela (VM24)

The Perfect Christmas Gift!

Looking for a once in a lifetime adventure/pilgrimage for your grandchild/spouse/grandmother?? What better gift than a trip package to Great Cathedrals of France Choir Tour Feb. 16-23 2016?? Our International Choir Tours are such a fantastic way to shop/sightsee/worship -singing for Mass (if you like)in Notre Dame Cathedral; Chartre Cathedral and in Liseux!! We have excellent payment plans-with a small deposit, reserve your trip package today!! You will be the Christmas Hero!! Promise!!

Questions??Pamela (VM24) PS CD's from Portugal Tour Advent 2013 ready for Advent...great stocking stuffers!!See Pamela or any Traveling Choir member!!

Kids Praise/Family Choir/France Traveling Choir sings 2nd Advent Dec. 7, 2014 11:30AM!! Angelic!! Heavenly!! Don't miss it!!

Join a choir today! Pamela 442-0058 (VM 24)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5F5VwD0SHzI>

Join a choir today! Put away a hymnbook! Buy a CD! Come on our next International Choir tour Feb. 16-23, 2016: Great Cathedrals France!!

CHRISTMAS AT ST. PETER'S St. Peter's HS Seton Chorale/Glee Club Alumni present the 5th Annual Christmas Concert at St. Peter's Church, Dec. 7th. For further details, please see the flyer in this bulletin.

RICHMOND CHORAL SOCIETY FOLLOW THE STAR at Sacred Heart Church, Dec. 6th. For further details, please see the flyer in today's bulletin.



Thanksgiving
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Father Jerome and the staff of Sacred Heart Rectory wish all our parishioners a very Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving