

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

5:00 GUIDO & VELIA ANGELI

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

7:00 GINO ACCIAVATTI
8:30 SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR SR. TERESE MARY O'CARM & KATHERINE FRIEDEL
10:00 IN HONOR OF KEN & DEBBIE LEIGH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 RITA HALBRAN
5:00 TERESA O'GRADY 1ST ANNIVERSARY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES
9:00 FR. JACEK PIOTR WOZNY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

7:00 CAROLINA ESTRELLA
9:00 ELIZABETH WILSON

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

7:00 THOMAS LOEFFEL
9:00 CAROLINA ESTRELLA

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

7:00 BRUNO ZANCHETTA
9:00 GERARDO HERNANDEZ

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

7:00 JOHN TORKELSON
9:00 ERIN FITZPATRICK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9:00 DORIS SABELLA
5:00 VICTORIA EDERA

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

7:00 MARIE D. CARNEGIE
8:30 BEN ZARRELLI
10:00 VICENTE CACERES
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 MAREK, BOGENA, MONIKA & DARIA NIEBAZYDOWSCY
5:00 JERRY ZITO

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Alex Degan requested by his Family.

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of the Budnick and Bocignone Families requested by Nora, Richie and Anthony.

Lectors November 30 and December 1

Saturday, November 30

5:00 Frank Ponterio

Sunday, December 1

7:00 Sr. Iraida
8:30 Charles Romanelli
10:00 Frank DiSalvo
11:30 Stephen Brown
1:00 Charles Sullivan
5:00 Sacred Heart Youth Group



Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Kathryn Brock, Patricia Repoli, Al Frezio, Meghan Clark, Youlanda Santella, Tim Campagna, Alberto Meranda, Matthew Gleason, Jerry Russo, Ethel Thomas, Ruth Irons, Ian Torello, Anna Parente, James Parente, Gerard Crane, Mimi Norberg, Marianne Garlan, Ruth Manieri, Dawn Meade, Lauren Lam, Rafaella Tierno, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Alice Longo, Spc. Bryan Camacho, Michael Rucci, Sylvia Lichtenstein, Cpl Justin Campbell, Roseanne Liveo, Robert Donohue, Elizabeth James Timmins, Robert Poggi, USM, Joyce Rusinak, Barbara Brennan, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Theresa Brier, Richard Nagrowski, Robert Pepe, Luella Page, Theresa Mirante, Fred Maley

Collection for November 17

Regular \$8,495.50
Philippines \$3,717.00
Second collection is for Thanksgiving-Human Development

Today, the 11:30AM Mass is a Memorial Mass offered for parishioners who died and have been buried from Sacred Heart in the past year. After the Mass, light refreshments will be served in the church vestibule.

**The Rectory Office will be closed
Thurs., November 28 and Fri., November 29
in observance of Thanksgiving.**



Fr. Jerome, Fr. Maurice and the staff of Sacred Heart Church wish all our parishioners a very Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving

GRATITUDE IS AN ATTITUDE!

Recently I read a little piece entitled, "Seven Things to Be Thankful For." With the Thanksgiving holiday coming up this Thursday, it is appropriate to mention them. The seven things are: 1. *For Automatic Dishwashers.* They make it possible to get out of the kitchen before the family comes in for their after dinner snacks. 2. *For Husbands Who Attack Small Repair Jobs Around the House.* They usually make them big enough to bring in the professionals. 3. *For the Bathtub* - the one place the family allows Mom some time to herself. 4. *For Children Who Put Away Their Things and Clean Up After Themselves.* They're such a joy you hate to see them go home to their own parents. 5. *For Gardening.* It's a relief to deal with dirt outside the house for a change. 6. *For Teenagers.* They give parents an opportunity to learn a second language. 7. *For Smoke Alarms.* They let you know when the turkey's done!

Seriously speaking though, there are many things that we should thank God for. The day that we celebrate this week is a reminder for us to be grateful for all the blessings that we have received from His hand - our life, health, family, friends and faith. Gratitude is the first sign of a rational, thinking creature. We should thank God always and indeed even "thank God ahead of time" for all the prayers that He answers and for all that He has given to us.

The fact is that there is little prayer at all in our world today; but the prayer of gratitude is very rare indeed.

Interestingly enough, the word "Eucharist" means "Thanksgiving." How grateful we should be as Catholics for all God's wonderful gifts to us in this life - but most especially for the Holy Eucharist which is Jesus' unique presence with us in our churches. We should

be filled with gratitude beyond measure for that wonderful gift! Yet more often than not, we do not appreciate or truly value all God's gifts to us.

It reminds me of the story in the Gospel of the ten lepers who were healed by Jesus. Now, nine of them completely forgot to thank the Lord for that great miracle. Only one man, a Samaritan, came back threw himself down before Jesus and poured out his gratitude for Christ for having been healed of that terrible affliction.

One of my former pastors, Monsignor Edward Connors once gave a sermon in which he stated that all of us should become part of a special club - a club he described as "The Tenth Leper Club." It's an easy club to belong to if we count our blessings more often instead of our problems and stresses.

We in this country have been blessed beyond all measure. Let us not forget the God who is the source of all these blessings. As a poet once put it:

"With legs to take me where I'd go,
with ears to hear what I would know,
with eyes to see the sunset's glow
Oh God forgive me when I whine -
I'm blessed indeed the world is mine!"

Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome

SAINT VINCENT De PAUL SOCIETY needs to restock its Food Pantry. Please donate one or more of the following non-perishable food items: Canned Soups, Canned Vegetables, Canned or Jar Fruit, Tuna Fish, Pasta, Tomato Sauce, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Cereal. Please kindly check the expiration date on food you are donating. We had a lot of expired food that had to be thrown out. Please leave donations in the church vestibule. Thank you, St. Vincent de Paul Society.



Registration for Grades K-8 is ongoing. Please contact the school office to register: 718-442-0347.

CCD - NO Classes Wed., Nov. 27.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING Tues, Nov. 26th 7:30PM in the church. All parishioners are invited to attend. The 3rd and 4th 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 CHRISTMAS FAIR Our Christmas Fair on Dec. 8th is fast approaching. 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 drop it off at the rectory or call Nora in the rectory office. All donations are needed by Nov. 29th, so we can assemble our always amazing raffle baskets. Thank you for your support of our annual parish fundraiser.

SACRED HEART CHRISTMAS FAIR COMMITTEE will be selling chances on Nov. 23 and 24 following all the Masses for a Nikon D 3100 Digital SLR Camera with two lenses included and two tickets to the Brooklyn Nets at the Barclay Center.

THE SMG FASHION SHOW COMMITTEE will be selling baked goods next Sun., Dec. 1 after the 10, 11:30 and 1:00 Masses.



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 in the church and purchase the item listed on the ornament for someone in need this Christmas Season. Place your wrapped gift with the ornament tag on the outside of the package under the Giving Tree by December 15th. 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.

Choir News

Parish Choir resumes singing for 2nd and 4th Sundays this month, with a glorious Feast of Christ the King Mass today at 11:30AM Nov. 24, 2013! Arrive by 10:45AM, robe up and come in the loft!!

This is such a great time to get involved with Parish Choir, as we prepare for the upcoming holiday season. Ages 10-110. Make it a family affair!! Moms and daughters/ Dads and sons - grandma and granddaughter - come sing together in Parish Choir!! See you in the loft on Nov. 24!!

Additionally this is the last Mass the Portugal Touring Choir will sing before their choir Pilgrimage to Lisbon/Fatima Portugal! Don't miss this spectacular celebration and send them off with your prayers and support!

Kids Praise Choir/Family Choir mark your calendars! See you in the loft December 15, 2013 11:30 AM Third Sunday in Advent Prizes! Treats! Coffee!

Pamela 442-0058 VM24

PS Space still available for Portugal-Christmas shopping in the Lisbon outdoor markets anyone?? See Pamela for details!!!

Join a Choir today! Buy a CD! Come sing with us in Portugal 2013! Put a Hymnbook away!

THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY will gather at the 10AM Mass on Sunday, December 1st and afterward have their monthly meeting at The Arms. Please contact Theresa Cunningham at 718-981-8047 with any questions.

SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP The next Mass and General Meeting is Sun., Dec. 1st -5PM Mass. The meeting follows after the Mass.

CHRISTMAS AT ST. PETER'S St. Peter's HS Seton Chorale/Glee Club Alumni present the 4th Annual Christmas Concert at St. Peter's Church, Dec. 8th 4PM. Enjoy the much beloved I Believe/Ave Maria and many more. Ticket information - Wayne '83 -718-971-3267. Program ads - Theresa '72-718-981-8047.

MSGR. BARTLEY 80TH BIRTHDAY BRUNCH Dec. 8 12 Noon-Old Bermuda Inn. \$50 per person. Make checks payable to "Msgr. Bartley 80." Mail to Dr. C. Campbell, 827 Forest Ave., 10310. For info call Mary McVey 917-885-0770.