

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 29

8:00 Ronald Verlizzo
12:00 Peg Connolly, Living

Tuesday, October 30

8:00 Elvira Zuccarelli
12:00 Bridget Stritch

Wednesday, October 31

8:00 Margaret Kelly
12:00 Anna Squillante

All Saints

Thursday, November 1

8:00 Domenico & Maria Riccobono
12:00 James D'Agostino
7:30 Pietro Elia

All Souls Day

Friday, November 2

8:00 Dec'd. Mem's. Amarucci &
Nassani Families
12:00 Salvatore Terrasi

Saturday, November 3

8:00 Mariannina Simone
12:00 Antonietta & Giuseppe Tellone
5:00 Carmen Terry

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday November 4

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 John Dooner
11:00 Vito, Adelina & Lorenzo Grippo
12:30 Aleth Del Prado

Bread and Wine

For: Dr. Michael Dattero
By: Maire & Mario Deiana



Sanctuary Lamp

For: Gregory Sanchez
By: Linda Sanchez

Time Change

Remember to set your clock back one hour next Saturday evening November 3rd.



From the Pastor's Desk

In the midst of devastating wars and deportation among the nations, the prophet Jeremiah offers his people God's vision for the future. God promises to unite his people from the places to which they have been scattered. And in particular, God shows special concern for the most vulnerable of society by "gathering them from the ends of the world, with the blind and the lame in their midst, the mothers and those with child."

Today's Gospel reading shows Jeremiah's vision being realized. By healing the blind man, Jesus fulfills Jeremiah's prophecy: "The blind and the lame in their midst" follow Jesus into Jerusalem where he will establish God's Kingdom.

As Jesus passes through Jericho (some fifteen miles from Jerusalem), Bartimaeus, who is blind, is among the crowd lining the street. He shouts out: "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." The scene is vivid and contains significant aspects. Bartimaeus is persistent—he is desperate and knows that Jesus can help him. Jesus calls Bartimaeus over, and the man's *response is immediate*—he rushes over to Jesus. Jesus asks him simply: "What do you want me to do for you?" His reply is direct: "Master, I want to see." Jesus sends him away telling him, "Your faith has saved you." Bartimaeus regains his sight and *follows* Jesus. Bartimaeus demonstrates the characteristics of a true disciple: *persistent request, immediate response, faith, and dedication*.

In last Sunday's Gospel the disciples' ambitions prevented them from seeing and understanding: they were spiritually blind to Jesus' message. Today's account of the blind beggar, Bartimaeus, offers a contrasting picture of the qualities of authentic discipleship. The true disciple sees more clearly, appeals to Christ as the only source of life and light, and is dedicated to following Christ.

**Kindly remember in your prayers
the sick of the Parish**

Frank Lauri Jr., Barbara Basciano, Elaine Clark, Betty D'Avi, Manuel Docoito, Adele Fagon, Bobby Gregory, Louise Holly, Richard Holly Sr., Glorian Holmes, Betty Lane, Joan Lynch, Gloria Melagrano, Stephanie Merenda, Sterling Mitchell, Carol Jean Murphy, Vincent Nyholm, Maria Scampone, Susan Scarinci, Barbara Schimpf, Theresa Vazquez

Report of Parish Giving

Offering 10/21/18 - \$8,307.00
Adults: 571 Children: 76
Offering 10/14/18 - \$7,431.00
Adults: 564 Children: 86

Sign up for WeShare and have your donations to Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula automatically deducted monthly from your checking or savings account or charged to your credit card. It's easy and convenient and helps our parish. You can enroll at our website, stspeterpaulandstursula.org. We thank you for your support and are grateful to all those who use WeShare or the envelopes.

Religious Education

Please register new and returning students for the Fall Religious Education program (K-8). Classes have already begun. Registration forms are in the back of the Church, at the Rectory during the week or download the packet from our Parish website www.stspeterpaulandstursula.org. If you have any questions please call or text Tony McDonnell 914-471-2084.

Are you a registered parishioner of Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula Parish?

Any new or unregistered parishioners are asked to register as soon as possible. You can register by completing the registration form found in the vestibule of the Church, by visiting our website at stspeterpaulandstursula.org, or in person at the Rectory. Registering helps us to communicate with our parishioners about the many items of importance which arise throughout the year.

Sponsor Certificates

If you have intentions of being a sponsor in the near future, you must be a registered parishioner for at least four months to obtain a Sponsor Certificate. A Sponsor Certificate is necessary for a person to act as a sponsor for someone who is receiving the sacrament of Baptism or Confirmation.

Pray the Rosary

During the month of October we celebrate the Rosary. The Rosary helps us meditate on the mysteries of our salvation – Jesus’ birth, life, death, and resurrection. And we also ask for Mary’s intercession – the most powerful of all the angels and saints.

All Saints Day

This Thursday, November 1st is All Saints’ Day. It is a Holy Day of obligation. Our Masses will be as follows: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 noon and 7:30 p.m.

All Souls’ Envelopes

Please place your All Souls’ envelopes in any weekly collection. Your deceased relatives and friends will be remembered at Masses celebrated at Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula for the month of November.

Spiritual Needlers

Any man or woman interested in knitting, crocheting, embroidering and sewing items to be donated to parishioners who are ill or grieving and those receiving sacraments is invited to join our new club. They meet Thursdays at 10:30 in the morning in the conference room of the Church.

Diaper & Children’s Clothing Drive

During the month of October, the Men’s Club is sponsoring its Semi-annual Diaper and Children’s Clothing Drive to benefit mothers and children in the Mount Vernon community. New children’s clothing and diapers of all sizes can be donated. Please place your donation in the basket in front of the Blessed Mother’s Altar.

Altar Servers

We are in need of servers. Any boy or girl interested in serving at God’s Altar is asked to see Fr. Francis.

Parish Registration/Update

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email: _____

New Registration Change of Address

Moving out of Parish

Please return to the Rectory.



**Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula
Men's Club**

**is collecting new and gently used adult
and children's coats
to benefit those in need in the
Mount Vernon community.**

Starting November 12