

NOVEMBER 19, 2017
33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY

8:30 Dominic Carton req. by Cheryl Wallace & Family
 Michael Barone req. by Joan & Don Donohue

TUESDAY – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 Terri Gold req. by Elise & Tom Adams
 Grace Conforti req. by Judy Savage

WEDNESDAY

8:30 Harold McGovern req. by Harold McGovern Family
 Gail Tucker req. by Her Husband Jeff

THURSDAY

8:30 Michael Donnelly req. by His wife, Betty
 Special Intentions of Geronimo Families req. by Anna & Simon

FRIDAY – Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

8:30 John & Louise Fraunberger req. by the Weckler Family
 Jose Valmoja req. by Maria Ferrer

SATURDAY – St. Andrew

8:30 Thomas Reilly req. by Bill & Nancy Dorcas
 James N. Costello req. by Family
 5:30 James Dykstra req. by The Hillenbrand Family
 Edwin Taylor req. by K of C #588

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7:45 Joseph Vozza req. by Scotto Family
 Jack & Mary Ann Hingel req. by Gerri Ellis
 9:00 George Mc Entee req. by Beverly Cotis
 Peter Cofranceso req. by The Gang Family
 10:30 Edith Brescio req. by The Children
 Fred J. Youngman req. by Mae & Charlie Catalano
 12:00 People of the Parish
 Peggy McGovern req. by the Aunt Carmen

PARISH FINANCES

November 12, 2017	\$ 10,815
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 2,381
Haiti	\$ 3,918
<i>Next week's second collection is for Catholic Home Missions.</i>	

REFLECTION

MAKING THIS WORLD A BETTER PLACE

Today's readings might remind us of the old Boy Scout motto: "Be prepared". Be always ready because you never know what might come your way. Be always ready so that you aren't just reacting to situations when they arrive. Be proactive, never idle, but always prepared to do whatever good deed you can.

In today's first reading, St. Paul tells us that there will never be perfect peace or absolute security in this world. Wars will rage. Families and friends will suffer divisions. Poverty, disease, and suffering will persist until the end of time. So that means there will always be opportunities to reach out and help.

Today's Gospel also tells us to be ready to care for the people around us. When we hear the parable of the talents, we usually focus our attention on developing our skills, but let's take it one step further and focus on the mission at hand. Jesus, is asking us to join him in building his kingdom here on earth. He is asking us to take all that he has given us and put it to good use, and not just for ourselves or our families. The world is in such deep need of peace and security. Our contributions – of intercession of mercy, of generosity, and of love-can make a significant difference. We can see dramatic returns on our investment if we partner with the Lord.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if, when Jesus came back, he could say to each of us, "Well done, my good and faithful servant?" Wouldn't it be great to know we can come with him and share in his joy?

We can do great things for God. We can use our talents to help make this world a better place. So let's pray today for all who are suffering in the world. Let's pray for an end to war and to poverty. And let's join Jesus in bringing his peace and security to everyone.

From: *The Word among us.*



enter into the joy of God

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH - 11/19/17 to 11/25/17

Mon 7:30 PM RCIA	St. Lucy
8:00 PM Knights of Columbus	McKenna Hall
Tues. 9:15 AM Scripture Class	Library
7:00 PM Bible Study	Library
7:30 PM Parent Support	St. Joseph
Wed. 7:00 PM Cornerstone	Library
7:30 PM Study of the Saints	Cassidy Hall
Thur. 6:45 PM No BINGO	Thanksgiving
Fri. Office Closed	
Fri. 8:30 PM AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat. After 8:30 Mass – Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
8:00 PM AA	McKenna Hall

LITURGY

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

An encomium for a good and worthy wife, this passage from Proverbs extols all the virtues which a worthy wife possesses – fidelity, industriousness, skill, charity to the poor, and fear of the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Once again, Paul reassures the Thessalonians, who are anxious about the coming of Christ, that they need not fear being unprepared because they are “children of light.”

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus narrates the parable of the talents – in the story, the silver pieces given to the three men. Two of the men invest their coins and double their worth, but the third buries his coins in the ground and earns no return. The message of Jesus is that we must use to the fullest the talents we have received.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

November 26, 2017 - Christ the King

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those serving in the military especially: Richard Fox, John Garlasco, Brian McCarthy, Lt. Daniel Faherty, Joseph Venutolo, Cpl. Marc Vero, Sgt. Jeremy Overstreet, Kevin Michael Kiefer, Michael Krapels, Robert Stumpe, USMC, Staff Sgt. Jeremy Curcio, Staff Sgt. Lena Webb, Spc. Samuel Nolan, US Army, Lt. Jamie Curcio, Navy Reserve, 1ST Lt. Christopher Tantillo; LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1st Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat'l Guard, Brandon Adams, Private William Maloney. Please continue to pray for all our servicemen and women.

Please let us know when your loved one has returned. Thank you.

MUSIC MINISTRY

The Adult Choir practice takes place on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Choir loft.



Contemporary Choir - Saturdays, 4:30 PM in St. Cecilia Room.

Children's Choir practice takes place on Thursdays at 2:45 PM in the St. Cecilia Room.

Vocal- Instrumental

Group - contact our Music Director, Krzysztof Kowalewski at the parish office. *New and existing members are invited.*

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

WE ARE SORRY

This week the young people of the parish preparing for Reconciliation reflected on penance and the desire to heal the hurt caused by sin. Living a life in Christ demands a continuing conversion of heart, a life of penance, with hope in God's mercy and trust in his grace. How do we as a parish share in the Paschal mystery, the great mystery of Christ's love, the mystery of mercy?



Mrs. Dorota Baszczij's grade 2 Sunday morning Religious Ed class seen here having learned about one's conscience, sin, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. By collecting our sins into a backpack and then unpacking them in Confession, children experienced how sins can weigh us down and how good it feels to let them go.

DOGMA TEAM

Dogma Team meets every Monday at 6:30 PM. to 8:00 PM in the Youth Room.

SCRIPTURE CLASS

Scripture class takes place on Tuesday mornings following 8:30 morning Mass. We meet every Tuesday in the Parish Library. Our main focus is on the readings and Gospel for that weekend Mass. Please join us for a very relaxed discussion as we relate to how the Gospel speaks to us in our lives. Bring a friend as we all journey in our faith together. The class is only one hour. Hope to see some new faces; it will be an hour well spent!

BIBLE STUDY

Increase your understanding of Holy Scripture by attending Bible study at our parish center. Special emphasis will be placed on Sunday Scripture readings and how they connect to daily living. Meetings take place on Tuesdays at 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Parish Library. All are welcome.

SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE THROUGH THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

There is still time to join us on Wednesday evenings, Now through December 6, from 7:30 – 9:00 PM in the Parish Library, for our next "Study of the Saints" discussion group opportunity. All are welcome! Learn about the 3 major stages in everyone's spiritual journey. Contact Jeff Tucker (973) 726-9011 or Nancy Hefele (973) 713-1376 for more details.

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

Presentations at Immaculate Conception, Franklin

The Legion of Mary of Immaculate Conception Church in Franklin is pleased to sponsor two important and timely presentations by theology professor Rafael Gonzalez. On Saturday, December 2nd, after the 5:00 PM Mass. Professor Gonzalez will give a talk about the Message of Fatima and how it is relevant 100 years after it was delivered by Our Lady. Then on Monday, December 4th after the 7:00 PM Mass. He will discuss "Topics on Catholic Morality to gain a better understanding of why the Church teaches what it does. Based on the document from St. John Paul II, *"The Splendor of Truth"* (*Veritatis Splendor*). Please consider attending one or both talks as an enhancement to your Advent preparations. All are welcome.

The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel,

70 Carmelite Drive, Middletown, NY

- **A Healing Mass** is held on the last Thursday or every month at 7:00 PM.

- **Carmelite Cor First Friday Event**

A youth group hosted by the Carmelite Friars to help teens grow in the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary meets every First Friday, 6:00-9:00pm. Evening includes Mass, dinner, Adoration and social time.

- **First Saturday Mass**

A Mass on every first Saturday of the month is at 10:15 AM, followed by 11:00 AM Holy Hour with confessions and rosary followed by benediction.

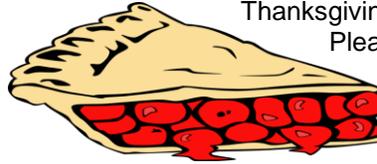
For information, call Carol Bezak, Shrine Director at [845-343-1879](tel:845-343-1879). All are welcome.

PART-TIME CRE NEEDED

Part-time position available for *Coordinator of Religious Education*, in Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Highland Lakes approximately 200 Students. 20 hours per week – Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9-2 and on Saturday 3 hrs. and Sunday 2 hrs. Please contact Fr. Ricardo Ortega, Pastor directly at 973-764-4457.

THANKSGIVING PIES FOR MANNA HOUSE

Again this year we will be collecting pies to donate to the Thanksgiving Dinner at Manna House. Please drop off a big pie (not frozen please) for Manna House on Tuesday, November 22nd in Cassidy Hall.



Manna House will be serving dinner as well as 100 Meals on Wheels. Thank you!

LUMINARY KIT SALE

December 2nd and 3rd after masses.

Each year the Columbian Squires at St. Kateri sell



Luminary kits in November and December with all proceeds to benefit the homeless and needy of our area through local charities (Samaritan Inn, Family Promise, Sparta Food Pantry, Book Bank Foundation). The

Squires who have sold these kits in the past few years are parishioners at Our Lady of the Lake. Please give them your support.

SAVE THE DATE - ADOPT-A-FAMILY

November 18-19

Spreading Christmas Joy to Members of our Diocese

The Adopt-A-Family Ministry asks our very generous parishioners to continue the wonderful support in helping the working poor of our Diocese, who without your kindness, would not have any gifts underneath their Christmas tree.



One of the parishes that we are "adopting" had several families who lost everything in an apartment building fire a year-and-a-half ago, and

they are still getting back on their feet. Its hearing stories like this when we as a Catholic community come together to help bring light and love to others, especially around the season of giving.

If you, your family or your business would like to adopt a family, please come to Cassidy Hall directly after Mass on **November 18-19**. Names of families will be given out. Wrapped gifts will be accepted in McKenna Hall on **Saturday, December 9 between 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**. If you have any questions, please contact Allison Ognibene at (973) 903-0999, or email at allisonognibene@yahoo.com.

**CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS
COME TOGETHER ONE AND ALL
TWO GREAT EVENTS!**

DECEMBER 2, 2017, 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

On Saturday, December 2nd Our Lady of the Lake, will bring "Christ in Christmas" to life. This event in the spirit of the true meaning of Christmas, brings together young children to build Teddy Bears for the children in homeless shelters in the Sussex County area. We invite you to join us in McKenna Hall from 2-3:30 PM, as a parish family for Christmas cheer and spirit. **"To sign up for Christ in**



Christmas, visit the Announcements section of the OLL website home page."



Festivities will continue in the evening with our **Tree Lighting Ceremony after the Saturday 5:30 Mass.** Come and join us in song, fellowship, feasting, and fun... AND may "God Bless Us Everyone".

SCCC FIRST RESPONDERS MASS

The 2nd Annual Sussex County First Responders Mass will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 12:15 PM in Sussex County Community College's Performance Arts Center. Rev. Michael Rodak, Chaplain of the Catholic Campus Ministry, will be the celebrant. The Mass commemorates those serving in Sussex County communities as law enforcement, fire fighters, and in emergency medical and rescue services, both past and present. For further information, please call Wendy Cooney, SCCC Criminal Justice Faculty at (973) 300-2240 or Bill McGovern, SCCC Criminal Justice Faculty at (973) 300-2182.

**DIOCESE OF PATERSON 80TH ANNIVERSARY
Saturday, December 9th**

9:30 a.m. Solemn Mass with Bishop Serratelli
11:00 a.m. Breakfast at the Brownstone
Tickets are \$40 per person and available online by visiting www.rcdop.org/breakfast
This is a Day of Celebration for all of us living in the Diocese of Paterson. Come Share with us!

CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE

Would you like to know more about our parish? Go to www.ourladyofthelake.org. We have the same information as before, but in a new format. We hope you will like it. You can see the Sunday Bulletin – the current week and archived issues from the beginning of the year. You can find the schedules for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers under 'Liturgy'. Need to register in the parish? The Registration form is there under "New Members". How to sign your child up for Religious Education. And, of course, if you have any questions or have trouble finding anything, please call the parish office at (973) 729-6107.

WELCOME TO THE WeShare FAMILY!

ParishPay has transitioned to **WeShare**. Here are several things to keep in mind as you familiarize yourself with WeShare.

We take security seriously. Donors' recurring donations will continue as scheduled. But donors must authenticate their account and email to receive WeShare emails or to make any changes to their account. The first time a donor enters the system – they will have to go through a one-time validation requiring:

- Their ParishPay user name
 - The last 4 digits of the bank account or credit card used with ParishPay
- And ONE of the following two options:
- Their email address
 - A collection name and the specific amount donated within the last 6 months.

Please feel free to contact the customer service team for assistance at WeShare@4lpi.com or call 1 (800) 950-9953 and select *Option 1*.

