



Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish Community

Staffed by the Augustinian Friars and the
Sisters of Mercy for over a century

31 PENNSWOOD ROAD
BRYN MAWR, PA 19010

November 11, 2018

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Liam O'Doherty, OSA, Pastor, Ext. 230

Fr. James Martinez, OSA, Pastor Emeritus

Fr. John Deary, OSA, Parochial Vicar...Ext. 228

Fr. James McBurney, OSA, In Residence...Ext. 233

Fr. Thomas Pohto, OSA, In Residence...Ext. 250

Br. William C. Harkin, OSA, Deacon...Ext. 249

Mr. Joseph Carey, Facilities Manager...Ext. 262

Mrs. Karen Carey, Coordinator of Religious Education and
Youth Ministry...Ext. 227

Jo-Ann Stigliano, Director of Music Ministries...Ext. 238

Sr. Anne Woodeshick, RSM, Parish Ministry...Ext. 234

Donna Descano, Administrative Assistant...Ext. 221

Peggy Juhline, Business Manager...Ext. 225

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

5:00 P.M. - Saturday evening
7:30, 9:30, 11:15 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday-Friday 6:30 A.M.
Monday-Saturday 8:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated once a month during a parish Sunday Liturgy. Arrangements are to be made 3 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Our Mother of Good Counsel warmly welcomes new parishioners. We believe in the "Stewardship Program" committed to serving God through offering our gifts of time, talents, and treasure for the good of our parish and those in need. We ask you to register as soon as possible by completing a registration form available in the church office during regular office hours. Parishioners moving should notify the church office of any change in address or phone number.

COMMUNION/HOME VISITS

If you are ill or unable to come to Mass for any period of time, please call the Parish Office (610-525-0147) and we will be happy to visit you and bring Communion to you.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 11:30 - 12:00 Noon

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Friday 9:00 A.M.- 3:00 P.M.

Summer: Office Closed on Fridays in July & August

Parish Office and Rectory Phone: (610) 525-0147

FAX NUMBER: (610) 525-0157

PARISH WEB SITE:

<http://www.OMGCPARISH.ORG>

SUMMONED BY CHRIST TO GIVE OUR ENTIRE SELVES

The incident we hear about in today's Gospel (Mk 12:38-44) brings us into the Temple area to what was called the Court of the Women. The Temple of Jesus' day was anything but a place of hushed and reverent silence. It bustled with pilgrims, vendors, priests directing worshippers and probably pickpockets and people who simply wanted to gawk. The first courtyard of the Temple was called the Court of the Gentiles. Everyone was allowed to enter there and they would find themselves in what was like a marketplace. In this court, people could change their money and purchase animals for sacrifice. The next section was called the women's court because women could advance no further than this area. This court held the treasure chests into which people could put their sacrificial and charitable offerings. According to Mark, this is where Jesus sat facing the area where people made their donations. Mark has subtly positioned Jesus as a judge of what is happening in front of him.

The statement, "Many rich people put in large sums," points out that the public could see just what each donor was offering – at least in a general way. The ostentatious givers mirrored the scribes who loved attention. But what caught Jesus' attention was a poor woman whose demeanor must have matched the miniscule donation she was able to offer.

It would be no surprise to think that Jesus had to call his disciples' attention to her. She exemplified those whom society deems inconsequential, apparently having little or nothing to contribute to anyone. Still, she made her offering to the treasury, perhaps as a statement of her dignity and self-worth.

Jesus called his disciples to pay attention to her, not to praise her sacrifice, but to critique the business of the Temple and its so-called religiosity. The same religious leaders whom Jesus had just condemned for their pretense had also convinced people like the widow to provide for them and their treasury. Unlike the sacrifice of solidarity of the widow of Zarephath in today's first reading (1Kings 17:10ff.) who shared her morsel with Elijah and then received his help, the sacrifice of the widow in the Temple was unilateral. No one even paid attention, much less brought blessings to her.

This week's readings lead us to evaluate all our "religious" activity. The underlying question is "Whom do we serve?" The criteria for judging is how well our actions build solidarity and help the needy.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are asked to remember in our prayers:

Janine Hoffman, Anne Shea,
Carol Luty, Lori Lesutis
William O'Donnell, Charles McMenamin
Michael and Andrew McCaughey,
Bill and Ella Denny, Karen Schubert,
S. Helena McNeill, MSHR,

and all who care for the sick and dying.

Please call the Parish Office (610-525-0147) if you would like to request yourself or a family member be put on our prayer list for the next 4 weeks. You can also make a request that the prayers of the community be renewed for another 4-week period as often as needed or desired.

H.O.P.E.

Helping Other People in Emergencies

If you need a ride to the doctor, shopping, etc., call Joanne Bramley at 610-457-6638 or call Sr. Anne at 610-525-0147, ext. 234.

Baptisms: We welcome to our faith community Hendrix Dmitry Rosenberry, son of Clark and Olga who was baptized in our Church recently.

Deceased: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Jean Lynch and for the consolation of her family.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Sunday, November 11



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Tuesday, November 13

THANKSGIVING DAY SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 22
9:00 am – One Mass Only

Parish Office will be closed
on Thursday November 22
and Friday, November 23



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

PARISH THANKSGIVING DINNER

Please mark your calendars, folks! Our Annual Parish Thanksgiving Dinner and Evening Prayer will be held on **Sunday, November 18 at 4:00pm**. All parishioners are invited to join us for Evening Prayer at 4pm in the Church, followed by a Thanksgiving Dinner with all the trimmings in the Gym. Please consider joining this family friendly event sponsored by our parish. The only catch is, you **MUST RSVP!!** This dinner is pretty much done by exact count so if you or your family would like to attend, please call Donna in the parish office at 610-525-0147 no later than **Monday, November 12**. No reservations can be accepted after that date.

PARISH COUNCIL CONTACT

If there is anything you would like to bring to the attention of the Council by way of ideas, suggestions or concerns, please call Ron Hicks at 610-449-2748.

LECTORS' WORKBOOKS AVAILABLE

Lectors' workbooks for the new liturgical year are available in the sacristy. The First Sunday of Advent is December 2nd.

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

Food Needs for IHN: If you can donate any of the following food items for our guests when they arrive on **Sunday, November 25**, please put them in the food box at the entrance of the church next Sunday:

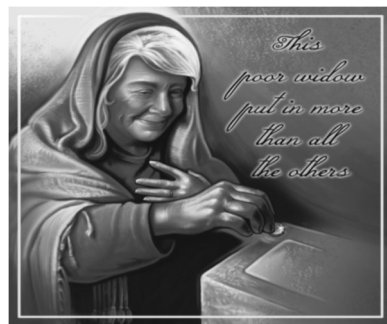
- | | | |
|----------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| soup | crackers | tuna fish |
| salad dressing | jelly | mustard |
| lemonade mix | ice tea mix | coffee |
| tea bags | cookies | peanut butter |
| cold cereal | mayonnaise | ketchup |
| hot cereal | juices: boxes or bottles | |

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE for November 4

Both widows in today's readings gave all they had to the work of the Lord, one using all her remaining food to feed Elijah and the other offering her two copper coins to the temple treasury. Faithful stewards give all that is asked and trust God to be faithful to God's promises.

Envelope Contributions	\$7,146.00
Loose Contributions.....	\$764.00
Mailed in	\$4,381.58
Total Offertory Collection	\$12,291.58
Offering this time last year	\$11,944.00
Parish Giving.....	\$415.00

Thank you for your Stewardship to your Parish.
Please remember the Church in your will.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

RESTLESS AND SEARCHING for purpose and fulfillment in Your Life?

If you are interested in learning more about the Order of St. Augustine and what it means to be an Augustinian, please visit our website:
www.augustinianvocations.org.

"Do not be content with what you are if you want to become what you are not yet."
St. Augustine

PEACE AND JUSTICE

The Peace and Justice Committee will meet again on **Thursday, November 15 at 7:00pm** at OMGC's Parish Center.

SENIOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The members of the Senior Community will gather once again on **Friday, November 16 at 12 noon**. Please bring your usual lunch nourishment with you. Beverages and desserts will be provided.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

November 11, 2018 – What is Advent? What do we do with it? Join us from **2:30 – 4:30pm** in the Social Center. We will have some Advent Activities and do some exploring about what we can do to make this Advent special. We will have a small service project to complete. We will also provide snack. Please let us know you are coming by emailing Karen at kcarey@omgcp parish.net or call 610-525-0147.

November 18, 2018 – Join us from **9:45 to 10:30am** to help set up for the Parish Thanksgiving Dinner. Mr. Carey will meet you in the gym to help with the tables and chairs.

November 19, 2018 – Youth Group goes to the 76ers!! Join us as a group to watch the Philadelphia 76ers play the Phoenix Suns! We will meet in the OMGC Parking lot at 5:30. The game begins at 7:00 and we should be home by 10 or 10:30. Tickets cost \$22. Please let Karen know if you will be attending as there are a limited number of tickets. First come, first serve.



ST. RAPHAELA CENTER
616 Coopertown Rd. in Haverford

Advent Day of Prayer
Wednesday, December 5 – 8:30am–3:30pm
Presentations by Fr. McIsaac, SJ

As we make our journey through Advent, we continue the work of the Prince of Peace by announcing the News that God has not forgotten his people. So, we seek healing and forgiveness for the wounds within us and in our world.

The cost of the retreat is \$45.00. Please register on line at www.straphaelacenter.org or call the Center at 610-642-5715.

Taize Prayer
Wednesday, November 14

The next Taize Prayer being offered at St. Raphaela Center will be held on **Wednesday, November 14 from 7:30 – 8:30 pm**. This contemplative communal prayer service is offered in the Center's chapel on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Eucharistic Adoration is also available until midnight after the hour-long Taize service. All are welcome – no reservations are required.

IHN NEWS

Did you know that you can designate the IHN of the Main Line to receive a percentage of your Amazon Prime purchases? Sign into smile.amazon.com and you can designate the Interfaith Hospitality Network of the Main Line to receive a small percentage of your purchases. Every little bit helps!

The “Day Center” of the IHN is in need of the following items:

- Gift Cards: Visa, Shoprite, Walmart, Giant and Uber
- Tall kitchen trash bags for the day center
- Toilet paper for the day center
- Paper towels
- Tissues
- Shampoos
- Body wash
- Body lotion: men's and women's
- Deodorant: men's and women's
- Lysol Disinfectant Spray
- Lysol Multipurpose Cleaner
- Dish Soap
- Laundry Detergent
- Feminine Products (sanitary napkins)
- New bottles and toddler sippy cups
- Batteries: 9V for smoke alarms

If you are in a position where you might be able to help by donating to this cause, please place your donations in the entrance of the church and mark them IHN, or drop them off at the Parish Office! Thank you!



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

We are invited to St. Mary's Community Thanksgiving Dinner on **Thursday, November 15 at 6:30 p.m.** at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Ardmore. All are welcome! Dinner is catered and free! Dessert contributions welcomed! No need to register! Come and join us on November 15 at 6:30! Questions? Contact Deacon Karen at 610-649-1486.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

On **Sunday, December 2**, we will hold our Annual Parish Breakfast with Santa and Service Day! Join us for Breakfast with Santa from **8 am until 11 am**. While you are here, help us out with a variety of service projects that will help those who are not as fortunate as ourselves. Then, complete your morning by attending the 11:15 Mass. Please plan on joining us. If you would like to help with the setup or planning of all of this, please contact Karen at 610-525-0147 or kcarey@omgparish.net.

INVITATION TO OPEN HOUSE at St. Aloysius Academy

You are invited to our **November 27 Open House from 9:30 – 11:00am**. Go to www.staloyusiacademy.org and click on “Visit Us” to register or call 610-525-1670 to request a private tour. We are the only IHM-sponsored, private, Catholic, K-8 Academy for Boys in the five-county Philadelphia metro area. Come see what sets us apart from other elementary and middle schools.

Christ
was offered
once
to take
away
sins



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

THE GUADALUPE GUILD

We are cordially invited to attend a cocktail party and buffet to benefit and honor the Sisters of Visitation. The event will take place at Millridge Manor House, located at 975 Mill Road in Bryn Mawr. The date is **Sunday, November 18 from 5:00 – 8:00pm**. This event will feature an Open Bar and Fabulous Food. In addition, there will be many great prizes.

Valet parking will be available and tickets will be available at the door. For additional information and reservations, contact Isabel Momenee at 610-853-1871.



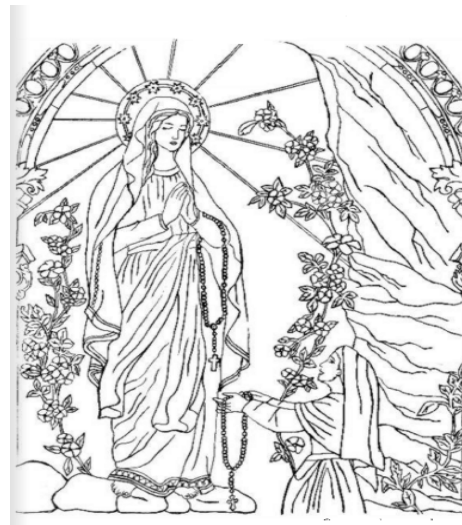
FATIMA, LOURDES AND SHRINES OF SPAIN

Portugal, Spain and France
June 11 – 22, 2019

Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY, to Fatima, Lourdes and Shrines of Spain on this 12-night experience from June 11 – June 22, 2019. Your included destinations while on this Journey are: Lisbon-Santaren-Fatima-Brage-Santiago De Compostela in Spain; Burgossan Ignacio De Loyola, Lourdes in France and Carcassonne-Barcelona in Spain.

Plus Mass and Rosary will be offered throughout your journey. Land prices begin at \$1,729 per person, based on double occupancy. Deposits of only \$400 per person will reserve your space. Space is **very limited**.

For further information or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.





**WE REMEMBER THEM
This Month
All Saints and All Souls**

In the rising of the sun and in its going down,
we remember them.
When we are weary and in need of strength,
we remember them.

When we are lost and sick at heart,
we remember them.

When we have joys we yearn to share,
we remember them.

So long as we live, they too shall live,
for they are now a part of us, as
we remember them.

In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,
we remember them.

In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring,
we remember them.

In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of
summer,
we remember them.

In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn,
we remember them.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends,
we remember them.

(From the Rabbi's Manual, 1988)
by Fr. Edward Hays



**Mass Intentions
For The Week** 

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- 7:30 HELEN LUIPERSBECK
- 9:30 OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL
PARISHIONERS
- 11:15 DAVID HILL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- 6:30 DUNCAN VAN DUSEN
(82ND BIRTHDAY)
- 8:00 BIAGIO & PASQUAROSA DiLEO

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

- 6:30
- 8:00 HAROLD & ROSE IRVING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

- 6:30 DECEASED MEMBERS
& BENEFACTORS OF OSA
- 8:00 KATHLEEN McMANUS GUSS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

- 6:30
- 8:00 PEG CROTHERS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

- 6:30
- 8:00 ANN & MICHAEL VAN DUSEN
(50TH ANNIVERSARY)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- 8:00 ANNA & CON HARKIN

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- 7:30 OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL
PARISHIONERS
- 9:30 PEGGY GALLAGHER
- 11:15 ACHILLE & MARY BARONE



