

Please Pray for...

All who have died these past weeks. We offer our prayers to their families and pray that they will rest in the Lord's peace.

Those who are sick in the hospital or recovering:

Fr. Martin Donahue, Mary Madden, Sandy Fritze, Robert Geoffrion Bernadette Pervier, Elaine Lamoureux, Whitney Fritze, Michael Laythe, George Gouin, Dottie Woodward, Diane Aoun, Peter Lacroix, Heather Josti - Harris, Simon Kibe, Jean Wheeler, Melanie Paquette, Al Shedyak, Kathleen Bowen, Paul Masiello, Paul Provencher, Lucy Kelly, Bill Keyes, Diane Cyr, Theresa Cassavant, Laurie Gablaski, Ann Gablaski, Addison Lacaire, Pat Benoit, Gloria Butler, Joyce Frigon, Laura Wynn, Carey Dubois, Raymond Brodeur, Michael Kady, Bonnie Sheldon, Heather Lech, Joseph Nisel, Joseph Sauris, Cheryl Branham, Pauline Casavant, Jon Widdison, Lynn Desforges, Trajan Imperator

OUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS OCTOBER 28 & 29

Envelopes \$ 4753.00
Loose \$ 615.00
Total collection \$ 5368.00
Number of envelopes 196
Mass Attendance 418

Thank you for your generous gifts this past weekend which enable us to continue to do God's work. May God bless you all. Please consider weekly or monthly online giving.

**FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FOR THIS WEEK
Hearty Soups & Thanksgiving Fixings**

**FIRST SATURDAY EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION
DECEMBER 2, 2017 8:30AM - 4:00 PM**

Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 8:00 am
Confessions following mass
Exposition starting at the end of mass and continuing throughout the day until 4:00pm
Confessions 3:00-3:50pm
Benediction 4:00pm

If you wish to participate there is a signup sheet in the sacristy.

New Parish Office Hours

OPEN: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am-5pm (until further notice)

CLOSED: Monday and Friday

St. John Paul II parish in Southbridge is holding their Annual Parish Bazaar on Sunday, November 5th from 8:30-4pm in the gym of Trinity Catholic Academy, 11 Pine St, Southbridge. Craft Tables, Raffles, Theme Baskets, Children's Games, Food Court, Bake Shop and more... FREE Admission

The Trivium School located at 471 Langen Rd. in Lancaster is holding an **Open House**, Sunday, November 12, from 1-3pm. The Trivium Catholic School serves grades 7-12. For more information, visit their website at www.triviumschool.com or call 978- 365-4795.

The 31th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Faith Formation News

Office hours: 10:00 – 5:00

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, only, from 10:00-5:00

Contact Judi at 508-885-3111 x 105 or

jbrennan@parishmail.com

Sunday	9:00 – 10:00 am	Grades K - 5
Sunday	5:30 – 8:30 pm	Grades 9 - 11
Monday	4:45 – 6:00 pm	Grades 2 - 5
Tuesday	7:00 – 8:15 pm	Grades 6 - 8

RCIA continues on Mondays at 6:00-8:00 pm in the Rectory.

Outreach Ministry: Carol St. John visits and brings communion to the homebound and those in nursing homes. If you know of someone who needs a visit please call her at 508-885-3017 or 508-864-6323

St Luke's in Westborough presents **Steve Angrisano** in Concert, Sunday November 19th from 7:30-9pm. Tickets are \$15 per person. Starting with a mass at 6:30pm and Concert immediately following. Embrace the passionate message of faith, hope and love woven throughout his music. For more information contact Gloria Josephs 503-366-8509 or email youthministry@stlukes-parish.org

Morning Bible Study Group...

"Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible", will meet in the parish office on Tuesday mornings at 10:30am. All are welcome!

Fall 2017 Women's Bible study meets in the Sacristy on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm. Topic is "Who am I to Judge? Responding to Relativism with Logic & Love, by Dr. Edward Sri. Come join the discussion.

November Calendar Raffle Winners

Nov.1	Mr. & Mrs. Al Morin, Jr.	\$100.00
Nov.2	John Vasalofsky	\$ 50.00
Nov.3	Susan Mellen	\$ 75.00
Nov.4	Pat Monfette	\$ 50.00

Men's Group: Next Meeting is Saturday, December 2, 9:30-11:00 am in the Rectory. If you have any questions or would like to join contact Fr Bill at Fr.BillSchipper@gmail.com or call the office and leave a message.

November 5, 2017

A message from Fr. Bill

The scribes were copyists and teachers of the Law or Torah. Their name derived from the Hebrew word sepher or book, so they copied, explained and protected its integrity. It is important to note that they were not a religious sect but could be classified as a profession. Learned in the content and intricacies of the Law, they lectured in synagogues, taught in schools, debated legal issues in public and private, and applied the Law to specific situations. Most scribes were Pharisees, though some were Sadducees. The Pharisees, on their part, were the most influential of the religious groups in first-century Judaism. The Sadducees only entertained the written Law of Moses, whereas the Pharisees accepted both written and oral commentary about the Law as authoritative. While some Pharisees might have exhibited antipathy to Jesus, not all of them did. Moreover, by the time the Gospel of Matthew was written down, the Christian Jews for whom he wrote the gospel had a diminishing interest in what those groups had to say. Thus, Matthew set out to illustrate that, in His life death and resurrection, Jesus fulfilled the prophecies concerning the Messiah and made Judaism complete. Jesus told the people to "do and observe all things whatsoever [the Pharisees] tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice." After noting how their conduct belies their preaching, Jesus zeroes in on how such a discrepancy undergirds vainglory. Phylacteries are small cases containing the essential words of the Law attached to the left arm and the forehead. Tassels are affixed to the corners of a cloak or shawl. While both were requirements, the Pharisees embellished theirs. Then, Jesus treats the issue of honorific titles such as Rabbi or Master. Finally, He enunciates a standard by which to judge: Servanthood is the mark of true greatness, and humility is the proper attitude; both of those elements are prerequisites to true greatness. Serving God and doing so with the proper attitude and putting into practice what we believe will build up the Church. In writing to Philippi, Saint Paul wrote, "Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather humbly regard others as more important than yourselves" (Phil 2:3).

Fr. Bill

Check out our **Parish Facebook Page**, Please "like" us and invite your contacts to do the same.

We also have a parish website www.maryqueenoftherosary.org

Monthly Meal Wednesday, November 8th 5:30 – 6:30 Ham & Bean supper with Beverage, Bread and Dessert.....

The Food Pantry is looking for donations for **Thanksgiving Baskets**. Anyone wishing to feed a specific family for the **Family to Family Baskets** should call **Kathy at 508-885-9828**. The most important part of the Family to Family is that you pray for your family as we will ask them to pray for you. Anyone wishing to donate a turkey or other fixings should call the parish office at 508-885-3111. Dry goods and fresh veggies are gratefully received before November 16th. Turkeys and any frozen foods should be dropped off on Saturday November 18th before 9am. Thank you and God bless you for your concern for His people in need.

Members of the American Legion Gaudette Kirk Post 138 will be joining us on November 12th at the 10:15am Mass. Please welcome our local Veterans as we celebrate Veterans Day with them.

The 31th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 4 4:30 pm "Shike" Gobi by The Family
Sunday, November 5 8:00 am Katherine Bouley (21 st Anniv) by The Family 10:15 am Christina Wilson by Her Parents
Monday, November 6 8:00 am The Seguin Family by Suzanne & Family
Tuesday, November 7 8:00 am Steve Loftus by Ann Loftus 2:00 pm Howe Village Mass
Wednesday, November 8 8:00 am The Intention of St. Jude by The Miranda Family
Thursday, November 9 8:00 am For the People of the Parish
Friday, November 10 8:00 am No Mass Today
Saturday, November 11 4:30 pm Francis Fahey (5 th Anniv) by His Wife Sylvia
Sunday, November 12 8:00 am Jennifer McLaughlin (9 th Anniv) by Mom,Dad & Family 10:15 am Alan Monfette by Patty & Children

Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 5	Coffee Shop OPEN
10:15 am 9:00-10:00 am 1:00- 6:00 pm	Children's Liturgy of the Word Faith Formation K – 5 Youth Ministry-High School Rally, NO F.F.
Monday, November 6	
9:30 am 4:45 - 6:00 pm	Food Pantry OPEN Faith Formation Grades 2 - 5
Tuesday, November 7	
6:30pm 7:00-8:15pm	Drop In Center Open Faith Formation Grades 6 – 8
Wednesday, November 8	
5:30-6:30pm 7:00 pm	Monthly Meal Youth Ministry Meeting
Thursday, November 9	
9:30 am	Food Pantry OPEN
Friday, November 10	
10:00-12:00pm	Glow-Apple Crisp/Pie Making
Saturday, November 11	
3:30 pm	Confessions
Sunday, November 12	Coffee Shop OPEN
10:15 am 9:00 - 10:00 am 5:30 - 8:30pm	Children's Liturgy of the Word Faith Formation K – 5 FF- Freshman/Confirmation

The Spiritual Life Ministry would like to thank all those who participated in the "Morning of Reflection" on October 25th. More than fifty people from eight parishes were present to hear Nana Esuah tell her story. Now we all know how our "Baby Bottle Money" serves those in need at VISITATION HOUSE. Your generosity with the Baby and Mother gifts was awesome! Thank You and God Bless you.

"The Word Among Us" for November is available at the doors of the church. One per family please.

November 5, 2017