



REMEMBER TO VOTE!

Saturday November 4
 5:30 pm Joan Pirolo and Herbert A. Young
Sunday November 5 *31st Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Robert Illig and our Parishioners
 9:30 am Noemi and Sergio Wong and Michael Katzenberger
 11:30 am Diane Gironda and Pam Kiener
Monday November 6
 6:45 am Christopher Lawler
Tuesday November 7
 6:45 am Kathy Lawler and Susana Lopez
Wednesday November 8
 6:45 am Wayne Collett
Thursday November 9 *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*
 6:45 am Rita Sanchez
Friday November 10 *St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church*
 6:45 am Rita Costello and Leo DiCicco
Saturday November 11 *St Martin of Tours, Bishop*
 8:00 am Philip Jones
 5:30 pm Robert Lombardy, Jean Girz and Larry Rea
Sunday November 12 *32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Intention of the Colonna Family and our Parishioners
 9:30 am J. Victor and Sophronia Lynch, and Margaret Murphy
 11:30 am George Wilson, Ann Becker and Joseph Miller

Scripture Readings
November 12, 2017
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16
 Regarded as personifying God's power, Wisdom is readily and easily found by those who seek her.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
 The Thessalonians, who fear that those who have died will miss Christ's return, are comforted by Paul's assurance that those "who have died in Christ will rise first."

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13
 In the parable of the five sensible bridesmaids and the five foolish bridesmaids, Jesus emphasizes the fact that we must always be ready for the coming of Christ because in his words, "You know not the day or the hour."

NOVEMBER 11/12 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

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| 5:30 pm | Fr. Edward Seton Fittin, OSB |
| 7:30 am | Fr. Jared Brogan |
| 9:30 am | Fr. Jim Termyna |
| 11:30 am | Fr. Jared Brogan |

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, November 6
 Scripture Study 1:00 to 2:30 pm
 RCIA 7:00 pm

Tuesday, November 7
 Moms & Tots 9:30 to 11:00 am
The Case for Christ enrichment series 7:30 pm
 with Fr. Jared

Wednesday, November 8
 9th grade retreat with Ray Boswell (church) 7:30 to 9:30 pm

Thursday, November 9
The Case for Christ enrichment series 10:00 am
 with Sr. Bernadette
 Prayer Group 1:00 pm
No Religious Education classes

Saturday and Sunday, November 11/12
 Anointing of sick at all Masses
 St. Catherine's ornaments on sale after all Masses

NOVEMBER: REMEMBERING ALL SOULS

During the month of November we remember our departed brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest. If you would like your loved one(s) to be remembered in the Masses for the month of November, please write their names on the All Souls envelope provided in the vestibule and place it in the collection basket with your offering.

***The sanctuary lamp burns
 in memory of Larry Rea***

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline Forte, Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Mary Ann Armstrong, Michele Buck, Christa Fairclough, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Edward Joyce, Sr., Ann Gerhardt, and Sr. Joan Phillips.

STEWARDSHIP

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| October 30, 2016 Collection & PP | \$ 7,954 |
| MASS ATTENDANCE 699 | |
| October 29, 2017 Sunday Collection | |
| Envelopes/Cash | \$ 7,735 |
| ParishPay | 917 |
| Total | \$ 8,652 |
| MASS ATTENDANCE 546 | |
| Weekly Operating Expense | \$12,885 |



From the Desk of Fr. Jared

Traditionally, in our Catholic culture, November is a month of remembrance of those who have died. We begin with the Solemnity of All Saints on November 1, followed by the Commemoration of All Souls on November 2. Nationally, we celebrate Veteran's Day on November 11 and of course Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday.

All Saints Day reminds us that we are not alone. We are part of this Communion of Saints, the Church, which unites all of us on earth (pilgrims), those who have died and are preparing to enter eternity (purgation), and those who are in Heaven (glory). We are one Church. This feast celebrates the communion of saints whose way of life is an example for us to follow and a reminder of the commitment we made in our baptism to live the life of Christ. We seek their help and intercession in our own lives.

The celebration of All Souls commemorates those who have gone before us, and it is intimately linked to the Feast of All Saints that precedes it. The key word here is "celebration." This is a joyful celebration for the Christian understanding of death seen through the perspective of Jesus' death and resurrection. Our celebration is hope-filled, that those who follow Christ do so in a death like his and in his resurrection. "Life is changed, not ended" (*Preface of the Dead I*).

Throughout the month we are reminded of these important celebrations. The Book of the Dead is placed at the Baptismal Font. The names of our deceased relatives and friends from this past year are written in this book. The special Mass Intentions which you have given and may continue to give are also placed at the baptismal font. All of these individuals are remembered at each Mass throughout the month of November.

Why is our focus on the baptismal font? The font is a place of life and death. In the waters of Baptism we have "died with Christ and rose with him to new life" (*Mass of Christian Burial Sprinkling Rite*). In Baptism we die to our old selves and rise to a new life in Christ. We are immersed or water is poured over us three times. We go into the tomb (font) three times as Jesus spent three days in the tomb and then we rise to new life. At the Mass of Christian Burial we sprinkle the body of the deceased with Holy Water. We spread a white cloth (a pall) over the casket as a reminder of the white garment given to us at our baptism. Here we share in Christ's death and resurrection. Here we share in our hope for a future with Christ and the Saints. The same water we bless ourselves with every Sunday reminds us of the meanings of our baptism, is the same water sprinkled over a casket, is the same water besides which we share the names of our dead. We are the Communion of Saints.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

In honor of our 60th Anniversary, the parish has Christmas Ornaments that will be available for purchase. Each ornament costs \$15 and will be available after Masses on **November 4-5 and 11-12**. We have a limited number of ornaments so pick yours up early!

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This year we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at each of the Masses the **weekend of November 11/12**. Pews will be reserved in the front and the rear of the church for those wishing to be anointed. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament of healing. Anyone who is seeking healing and peace physically, spiritually, or emotionally is invited to participate.

DIOCESAN SEMINARIAN DINNER

On **Sunday, November 12 at 5:30 pm**, the Diocesan Vocation Office will host a Dinner Dance at the Brownstone in Paterson to support our seminarians. The Diocese has many young men in formation for the priesthood. We have been blessed in recent years at St. Catherine's to participate in this process by welcoming seminarians to our parish. Our own seminarian, Sebastian Munoz, is a sign of hope, but also a reminder of our need to support in different ways this formation process. If you are interested in attending this event and supporting these men, please speak with Fr. Jared to make arrangements.

THANKSGIVING DAY

All parishioners, families and friends are invited to a special Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 am on Thanksgiving Day. You are invited to write petitions of thanksgiving which will be read at the Mass. Please email your petitions to parishoffice@stcatherine-ml.org or tear off the slip below and return by dropping in the basket in the vestibule. **Petitions must be received by Monday, November 20 to be included.** At the conclusion of Mass, loaves of bread will be blessed and distributed. This bread is a wonderful reminder of the Thanksgiving table of the altar around which we, as a parish family, have gathered to above all give thanks to God in the most perfect way – the Eucharistic Banquet.

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**NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
OFFICE**

UPCOMING DATES:

- November 5** – 4th grade class Mass at 11:30 am
- November 8** – 9th grade retreat with Ray Boswell 7:30 - 9:30 pm
- November 9** – No Religious Education – Teachers convention
- November 13** – 8th grade will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class time
- November 14** – 3rd & 6th grades will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class time.
- November 15** – 4th & 9th grades will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class time.
- November 19** – 3rd grade class Mass at 9:30 am
- November 21** – 6th grade class will have the Salesian Sisters *Bread for the Journey* retreat in the gym, 7:00 -8:15 pm
- November 22 and 23** – No Religious Education classes. Have a Happy Thanksgiving!
- December 2** – First Reconciliation, 11:00 am
- December 3** -- Advent Fun Day after the 11:30 Mass
- December 7** – Youth Night
- December 18** – Christmas Pageant Practice 4:15-5:15
- December 19** – Christmas Pageant – 7:00 pm
- December 20** – January 7 – No Religious Education. Christmas break
- January 8, 2018** – Religious Education classes resume

The Religious Education program is looking for a catechist to work one-on-one with a student preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Class meets Mondays from 4-5:15. If interested please contact Lisa at (973) 334-5257 or dre@stcatherine-ml.org

**December 3rd ADVENTure
Following the 11:30 Mass**

- Make an Advent Wreath,
- Play an Advent Game,
- Make an Advent Craft.
- Have some yummy Cookies.



We Listen to the Holy Spirit

This week the 2nd graders of the parish preparing for Reconciliation reflected on the Holy Spirit who helps us make good decision. The Holy Spirit gifts us with the courage to overcome obstacles that stand in our way of loving God and others, and with the wisdom to value God above all creatures. How do we as a parish show that the grace of the Holy Spirit is alive in us?

On **Saturday, December 16 at 8:00 pm**, the Imperial Brass Orchestra will be performing at St. Catherine's for our *Celebrating the Joys and Blessings of the Season* concert. **Tickets will be sold after Masses November 18-19, 25-26, and December 2-3, 9-10.** Tickets are first come, first served and cost \$30, which includes admission and a wine and cheese reception following the concert. Tickets must be paid in full at time of purchase. Tickets can also be purchased by contacting Whitney at 973-586-2777 or queendubose@aol.com.

FR. ENGLISH FOOD PANTRY

Every third Sunday of the month we generously donate a large amount of food to the *Fr. English Center* which is picked up the following Monday morning. The food collection is done on the third weekend (Saturday and Sunday) of the month. Due to a lack of space and for the sake of good appearance and cleanliness, **please drop off the food ONLY ON THE THIRD WEEKEND.** Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter and for your generosity in donating the food each month. **Below are the third weekend dates:**

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| November 19 | December 17 | January 21 |
| February 18 | March 18 | April 15 |
| May 20 | June 17 | July 15 |
| August 19 | September 16 | October 21 |
| November 18 | December 16 | |

CHRISTMAS IS COMING: SAVE THE DATES!

- Saturday/Sunday, November 18/19**
Giving Tree gift tags available
- Sunday, December 3, following 11:30 Mass**
Family ADVENTure
- Thursday, December 7**
Youth Night
- Saturday, December 9, 9:00-11:30 am**
"Breakfast with Santa".
- Thursday, December 14, 7:00 pm**
Annual Women's Ornament Exchange
- Saturday, December 16, 8:00 pm**
Imperial Brass Orchestra Concert
- Tuesday, December 19, 7:00 pm**
Children's Christmas Pageant

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our Lady of the Lakes Council #3359 is looking for new members. If you are a gentleman over 18 and are interested in helping those in need, serving your parish and growing in faith, then the Knights of Columbus is for you. For more information, visit www.KOFC3359.org or contact Dennis Corbisiero 973-945-9467; dennisarc25@gmail.com or Guy Mariani 973-586-0098; guy.mariani@kofc.org

ANNUAL PARISH CHRISTMAS CONCERT

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, November 9** at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany at 7:30 pm in room 101. Program speaker Psychiatrist Dr. Michael Giuliano will discuss, "*How to Handle the Holidays*". For more information, please call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.

AREA EVENTS

Craft and Vendor Fair
St. Cecilia Church Hall
70 Church St, Rockaway
Saturday, November 11, 9:00-2:00

The Little Sisters of the Poor
Christmas Craft & Bake Sale – Ham & Turkey Drop
Saturday, November 18, 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Free Admission!
In conjunction with the sale, we will be collecting hams & turkeys to provide future meals for our residents.
St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly
140 Shepherd Lane, Totowa
(Parking and entrance on Cumberland Ave.)
For information: 973-942-0300 or
www.littlesistersofthepoortotowa.org

Miracle of Christmas at the Millennium Theatre
Don't miss the bus!

Join St. Ann's of Parsippany on a trip to Sight & Sound's production on **December 9**. Cost is \$129 which includes: shopping at Kitchen Kettle Village, performance at the Millennium Theatre, dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord, and transportation. To reserve a seat, call Ginny at 973-884-1986.

St. Luke's Productions' Vianney
Vianney, the inspiring live production performed by Leonardo Defilippis of Saint Luke Productions, will be presented at Immaculate Conception Church on **Friday, November 10 at 7:30 pm**. Experience the gripping story of St. John Vianney, the humble priest who battled the devil to save souls. Filled with all of the elements of professional theater, the production runs 90 minutes and is suitable for ages 9 and up.

For tickets and additional information, contact Immaculate Conception Church New Evangelization Office at 908-725-1112 ext. 1124 or pjannuzzi@icsomerville.org or register online at www.immaculateconception.org. Watch the gripping trailer at www.VianneyDrama.com

The Missionary Sisters of Immaculate Conception are looking for a part-time administrative assistant in their Province Office in Denville. 20 hrs/week. Responsibilities include filing, record keeping, document scanning and ordering supplies. Must be proficient in Microsoft Word. Call 973-279-3790.

SAVE THE DATE: On December 9, we will celebrate the **80th anniversary** of the actual date of the creation of the Diocese (December 9th, 1937). You are invited to a special 9:30 am Solemn Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Serratelli, followed by a breakfast at the Brownstone, Paterson at 11:00 am. *All are invited to attend this Communion Breakfast!*

Tickets are \$40 per person and are available online at www.rcdop.org/breakfast. This is a day of Celebration for all of us living in the Diocese of Paterson!

RECOVERY MASS

The Shrine of Saint Joseph, 1050 Long Hill Rd, Stirling, hosts a monthly Recovery Mass on **the second Saturday of each month from 12-1:30 pm**. Following Mass, there is an Intercessory Prayer session in the chapel where you can pray in community for loved ones still enslaved by addictions, and give thanks for those who have found recovery. For more information call 973-370-DRUG (3784).

RESPECT LIFE MASS with Bishop Serratelli
Saturday, November 18, 10:00 am.
St. John the Baptist Cathedral
381 Grand St, Paterson
All are invited and encouraged to attend.

An Evening with Sisters

The Religious Teachers Filippini are celebrating "*An Evening With Sisters*" **Monday, Nov 13 7-9 pm** at Villa Walsh, 455 Western Ave, Morristown. This event is open to high school and college aged women discerning their vocation. Food and drink will be provided. For details, please contact the office of the Delegate for Religious at 973-777-8818 ext. 207, or kerry@patersondiocese.org.

CHRISTMAS HYMNS FROM THE CATHEDRAL

In commemoration of the reopening of the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, its musicians created a CD, *Christmas Season Hymns*, with the proceeds from its sale being donated to the cathedral for the purpose of serving the poor, homeless and the needy. The CD contains eight popular Christmas hymns and includes liner notes with information about the musicians, the hymns, and the cathedral's history and renovations. Ideal for Christmas gift giving, the cost is \$12.50 (tax deductible) and can be ordered by contacting Tom Kieren at 973-214-6473 or pastoral140@earthlink.net

JOB OPENING: