

MASS INTENTIONS
November 1 -9, 2025

Vigil of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

4:00 PM †Josephine & Michael Szczomak
†Mario, Susan & Myrtle Nocera
†Anthony J. Orlando
†Frank Francella
†Peter & Audrey Pascale

Sunday, November 2nd Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

7:30 AM †Charlene Brophy
9:00 AM †Jack Pricken
10:30 AM †ALL DECEASED
†Angiolina Tollis
5:30 PM †Lionel y Jaime Barajas

Monday, November 3rd

11:30 AM Marc D'Argenzio (Happy Birthday!)

Tuesday, November 4th

11:30 AM †Maryann Braga
Henry Fracalossy

✠ pray for the deceased ✠

ARLENE IANZANO
1941 – 2025

Arlene lived in Totowa Boro and was a 2nd grade Teacher in the Totowa School System. She loved travelling, holidays and family traditions. She faithfully grew her "Mary Garden" yearly to reflect her faith. She is survived by her husband Peter, children, Lisa and Peter Jr. and their spouses; her grandchildren Brian and Kelly along with her brother, Emil, and many nieces and nephews. She was pre-deceased by her grandson Justin.

May she rest peacefully in the Lord



***EUCCHARISTIC GIFTS**
of Bread & Wine are offered
this week in Memory of
Sr. Ann Elizabeth Bolte, SMIC*



Friday, November 7th

11:30 AM †Fr. Neil Padden O.F.M.

Saturday, November 8th

Vigil of the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM †Josephine & Michael Szczomak
†Jerry Giamonco
†Audrey Pascale
†Barbara Ciborski Misukonis

Sunday, November 9th

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Michael Carey
9:00 AM †Thomas Pascalli
†Al Placa
10:30 AM †Frank Galletta
†Alexis Morere
5:30 PM Los feligreses vivos y difuntos



***SANCTUARY LAMP**
will burn this week
in Memory of
Leonard Kientz*



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 11TH
IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY.
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SERVE(D)!**

Bulletin Articles...

Articles for the November 8th bulletin are
due in the parish office
By Monday, November 3rd



Pray For The Sick

Sr. Jean Amore, S.M.I.C., Choi,
Rosemary Cinderella,
Pat Connelly, Joanne D'Antonio,
Marc D'Argenzio, James Dean, Luca Favia, Kelly Fleming,
Sasha Gibbons, Lisa Guarente-Hogan, Yolanda Hilton,
Marge Hnath, Gregory Hodkinson, Vicenta Izquierdo,
Judy Mondeli, Emilia Mondeli-Heydel, Billy McGuigan
Mohammad Muslih, Robert Nocera, Grace Olivo,
Joseph Pezzano, Ronald & Nana Piazza,
Richard Prospero, Luis Rodríguez, Richard Ruggiero,
Barbara Smith, Daniel Southwick, Alyssa Stepneski,
Angelo Torres, Jean Trommelen, Bonnie Windley,
Colleen Woods

***If you would like to add a name of a sick person to
this prayer list, please call the Parish Office.***

2025 Diocesan Ministries Appeal "Three Counties, One Family of Faith"

The Diocesan Ministries Appeal helps fund senior priest healthcare needs, including Nazareth Village, our home for retired diocesan priests. The priests who live at Nazareth Village have faithfully served our diocese for many years, and many continue to celebrate Mass at parishes. The Appeal also helps fund the formation of our seminarians as they prepare for service to our parishioners now and for generations to come. Your gift to the Appeal acknowledges those priests who have dedicated years of service to our families and those who will begin their service to the Lord in our Diocese.

Please consider a donation to the 2025 Diocesan Ministries Appeal.

Campaña para los Ministerios Diocesanos 2025 "Tres Condados, Una Familia de Fe"

La Campaña para los Ministerios Diocesanos ayuda a financiar las necesidades de atención médica del sacerdote, incluso a Nazareth Village, la Casa de retiro diocesana para nuestros sacerdotes jubilados. Los sacerdotes que viven en Nazareth Village han servido fielmente en la diócesis por muchos años, y la mayoría continúan celebrando Misa en parroquias locales. La Campaña además ayuda a financiar la formación de nuestros seminaristas mientras ellos se preparan para el servicio de nuestros parroquianos ahora y por generaciones venideras. Tu donativo a la Campaña es un reconocimiento para aquellos sacerdotes que han dedicado años de servicio a nuestras familias y para aquellos que empezarán su servicio ministerial para el Señor en nuestra Diócesis.

Por favor considera hacer un donativo a la Campaña para los Ministerios Diocesanos 2025.



**WEEK 2 OF OUR CHRISTMAS NOVENA TO
ST. ANTHONY, NOVEMBER 4TH AT 11:30am**

Religious Formation Schedule

***Classes Begin with 9:00 AM Mass followed by
instruction in Bishop Manning Hall. All students
are required to sign in before Mass.***

November	2	10:00 – 11:00 AM – All Grades
November	9	NO CLASS-Veterans Day Attend Mass with your family
November	16	10:00 – 11:00 AM- All Grades
November	23	10:00 – 11:00 AM – All Grades
November	30	NO CLASS- Thanksgiving Weekend Attend Mass with your family



"Coffee &..."

**Today, November 2nd
in the Church Hall after all Masses.
All are welcome. Please join us!**



GIVING TREE

Each year the Ministry of Social Concerns sponsors "The Giving Tree." The goal of this activity is to collect gifts for children from infants to eighteen years of age for Christmas. A tree will be set up in the back of the church and decorated with tags. If you take a tag, please return a gift he or she requested on the tag. If you do not have the time to purchase a gift or gift card, you can leave a monetary offering at the Parish Office or place it in an envelope marked "Giving Tree" in the collection basket.

**Our tree will be up on Saturday,
November 22nd. Gifts **MUST be back**
before Sunday, December 14th.**

Thank you, Jeanne Beagin

ARBOL DE LA GENEROSIDAD

Cada año, el Ministerio de Asuntos Sociales patrocina "El árbol de la generosidad". El objetivo de esta actividad es recolectar regalos para niños desde bebés hasta dieciocho años de edad para Navidad. Se instalará un árbol en la parte trasera de la iglesia y se decorará con etiquetas. Si lleva una etiqueta, devuelva un regalo que la persona solicitó en la etiqueta. Si no tiene tiempo para comprar un regalo o una tarjeta de regalo, puede dejar una ofrenda monetaria en la Oficina Parroquial o colocarla en un sobre marcado "Árbol de la Generosidad" en la canasta de la colecta.

**Nuestro árbol estará listo el sábado 22
de noviembre. Los regalos **DEBEN ESTAR**
DE VUELTA antes del domingo 14 de
diciembre.**

Gracias, Jeanne Beagin



Would you like to help care for the sacred space in our church?

We are in need of volunteers to wash and iron the linens that are used on the altar every day. If you are willing to serve in this Ministry, you will be trained.

Please call Joann Giamonco at 973.279.8883 for more information.



Cofradía del Altar

¿Te gustaría ayudar a cuidar el espacio sagrado de nuestra iglesia?

Necesitamos voluntarios para lavar y planchar la ropa que se usa en el altar a diario. Si estás dispuesto a servir en este ministerio, recibirás capacitación.

Para más información, llama a Joann Giamoco al 973.279.8883 o a la oficina.



Thanksgiving Bountiful Basket

God has blessed us with many good gifts and blessings – let us share with our brothers and sisters of the community by donating fresh fruits and vegetables, a non-perishable item, or canned goods. Please bring your donated item to church on Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 2025, at 9:30 am Mass and place it in the baskets set up for food collection. Thank you for your generosity! Any questions contact Teresa Gallo-Tomcho at tgallo1130@yahoo.com.

FEEDING THE POOR AND HUNGRY

Once again, our St. Bonaventure's community generously supported the Father English Center food collection on Saturday, October 18th by contributing:

22 frozen dinners	1 frozen turkey
14 bags of groceries	1 crocheted baby blanket
14 cartons of canned goods	18 bags of used clothing
\$350 in donations	

These totals include a \$350 donation to the Community Food Bank of New Jersey for the account of the Fr. English Food Pantry made by our Francis J. O'Byrne Knights of Columbus Council #240. Articles of clothing were again donated to Martin De Porres Village in Paterson.

If you are fortunate enough to sit down to a special dinner this Thanksgiving Day, you will be in a small minority of the world's population. As a matter of fact, today there are many people in our own community who suffer from serious food insecurity. In recent months we have seen many more people on the line in front of our temporary Food Pantry on Getty Avenue behind St. Joseph's Hospital. And with recent government policy regarding food assistance to the poor, this situation will soon not improve.

Please, as we go about our lives this month, continue to remember the increasing poor and hungry in our midst and prepare for our next collection of groceries and frozen dinners on Saturday, November 15th.

Our Schedule for November is as follows:

FROZEN DINNER PANS

Saturday & Sunday, November 8/9.

Available after all Masses in the rear of the church

FROZEN DINNER PICKUP

Saturday, November 15th – 8:15 to 9:45 AM

In front of Bishop Manning Hall

NON-PERISHABLE GROCERIES

May be dropped off at the same time or any time before November 15th in the rear of the church or the Parish Office no later than noon on Friday, November 14th

COLLECTION

Sunday, October 26 \$2,161.00

Thank you for your generosity

Congratulations & Best Wishes to

Linda & Rich Florian

on the celebration of their 45th Wedding Anniversary on October 25, 2025. They were married here at St. Bons and renewed their vows at Saturday Mass.



Congratulations & Best Wishes to

Bridget & Tim Heale

on the celebration of their 35th Wedding Anniversary on October 26, 2025. They received a special blessing at the Lord of Miracles celebration on Sunday.

A Note from Fr. Alex.....

Our Catholic faith is bigger than one language, one song, or one way of praying. It stretches across countries and cultures — and still gathers here, in one parish family.

Last week we experienced that in a beautiful way as we celebrated Our Lord of the Miracles (Señor de los Milagros) with our Peruvian community. A quick story for those who may not know the devotion: in the 1600s in Lima, Peru, an Afro-Peruvian man painted an image of Christ crucified on an adobe wall. In 1655, a huge earthquake struck and much of the city was damaged — but that wall, with the image of Christ, remained standing. People understood it as a sign of the Lord's protection and mercy. Since then, every October, Peru is filled with processions

honoring Christ under this title. It's one of the most important expressions of faith in Peruvian Catholic life. And we had our own version right here.

We prayed, processed with the image, and watched dancers in traditional dress who weren't just "performing," but offering prayer through dance. (They also dragged me onto the dance floor. I can neither confirm nor deny that there is video evidence.) Then we shared incredible food and time together. It was joyful. It was beautiful. And most importantly: it was ours, not just "theirs," because in Christ we belong to one another. That's the point.

In this parish, we don't want to silo cultures. We want to share them. Your devotion, your feast day, your music, your way of expressing the faith — these are gifts for the whole community.

We've seen that already. Think about how we celebrate Irish culture at our St. Patrick's Day celebration. That's not just a party; it's a way of saying that the history and faith of one part of our parish becomes part of all of us. And looking ahead, I think about Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. This celebration is especially dear to our Mexican families, but it's not only for them. It's for everyone. Please keep an eye out for more information and plan to come. When we show up for each other's feasts, we are acting like the Church truly is: one Body.

I also want to say this clearly: your culture is welcome here. Your food is welcome. Your music is welcome. Your devotions are welcome. And, yes, your traditional dances are welcome. (I'll try the other dances too, though I make no promises about how gracefully.)

But these celebrations don't just appear out of nowhere. They are not something the parish office can invent on Thursday and pull off by Sunday. They come from the people, out of love.

So if there is a feast day, a national patron saint, a tradition from home that you would love to share with the entire parish, here's what to do: find two or three others who share that devotion, and then come talk to us at least three months in advance. We'll look at the calendar together and see how we can make it happen in a way that truly honors the Lord and strengthens the parish.

This is who we are called to be: many voices, one faith. Many cultures, one altar. Many languages, one Lord in the Eucharist. Thank you to everyone who helped make Our Lord of the Miracles such a powerful, faith-filled celebration for our whole parish.



Nuestra fe católica es más grande que un solo idioma, una sola canción o una sola manera de orar. Se extiende por países y culturas... y, sin embargo, se reúne aquí, en una sola familia parroquial.

La semana pasada lo vivimos de una manera hermosa al celebrar al Señor de los Milagros con nuestra comunidad peruana. Una breve historia para quienes no conocen esta devoción: en el siglo XVII, en Lima, Perú, un hombre afroperuano pintó la imagen de Cristo crucificado en una pared de adobe. En 1655, un gran terremoto sacudió la ciudad y causó mucho daño... pero esa pared, con la imagen de Cristo, quedó en pie. El pueblo entendió esto como un signo de la protección y la misericordia del Señor. Desde entonces, cada octubre, Perú se llena de procesiones en honor a Cristo bajo este título. Es una de las expresiones de fe más importantes en la vida católica peruana. Y tuvimos nuestra propia versión aquí mismo.

Rezamos, procesionamos con la imagen y vimos bailarines con trajes tradicionales que no estaban simplemente “actuando,” sino ofreciendo oración a través de la danza. (También me arrastraron a la pista de baile. No puedo confirmar ni negar que exista video de ese momento). Después compartimos comida increíble y tiempo juntos. Fue alegre. Fue hermoso. Y lo más importante: fue algo nuestro, no solo “de ellos,” porque en Cristo pertenecemos los unos a los otros. Ese es el punto.

En esta parroquia no queremos encerrar las culturas en cajas separadas. Queremos compartirlas. Tu devoción, tu fiesta, tu música, tu manera de expresar la fe — todo eso es un regalo para toda la comunidad.

Ya lo hemos visto. Piensen en cómo celebramos la cultura irlandesa en nuestra fiesta de San Patricio. No es solo una fiesta; es

nuestra manera de decir que la historia y la fe de una parte de la parroquia pasan a ser parte de todos nosotros. Y mirando hacia adelante, pienso en Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Patrona de las Américas. Esta celebración es especialmente querida por nuestras familias mexicanas, pero no es solo para ellas. Es para todos. Estén atentos a más información e inclúyanlo en sus planes. Cuando nos presentamos a las fiestas de los demás, vivimos como la Iglesia realmente es: un solo Cuerpo.

También quiero decirlo claramente: tu cultura es bienvenida aquí. Tu comida es bienvenida. Tu música es bienvenida. Tus devociones son bienvenidas. Y sí, tus bailes tradicionales son bienvenidos. (Yo también intentaré los otros bailes, aunque no prometo hacerlo con mucha gracia).

Pero estas celebraciones no aparecen de la nada. No son algo que la oficina parroquial puede inventar un jueves y realizar el domingo. Nacen del pueblo, del amor.

Así que, si hay una fiesta, un santo patrono nacional, una tradición de tu país o de tu familia que quisieras compartir con toda la parroquia, aquí está el paso a seguir: busca a dos o tres personas más que compartan esa devoción y vengan a hablar con nosotros por lo menos con tres meses de anticipación. Veremos juntos el calendario y cómo hacerlo de una manera que honre al Señor y fortalezca a la parroquia.

A esto estamos llamados: muchas voces, una sola fe. Muchas culturas, un solo altar. Muchos idiomas, un solo Señor en la Eucaristía. Gracias a todos los que ayudaron a hacer del Señor de los Milagros una celebración tan poderosa y llena de fe para toda nuestra parroquia.