



**The Roman Catholic Parish  
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rooted in the Eucharist  
and committed to the poor.

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**Sunday Mass Schedule**

*(Vigil Mass)*  
Saturday —5:00PM

Sunday  
8:30AM, 10:30AM  
and 6:00PM

**Confession:** Saturday at 4PM  
or other days by appointment.

**Weekday Mass  
Schedule**

8:30AM Monday—Saturday

“It would be easier for the  
world to survive without the  
sun than to do so without the  
Holy Mass.” St. Padre Pio

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Parish Expense Budget 2019-2020 — \$1,275,000  
*includes Diocesan Assessment of \$105,000*

Less other projected income — (\$340,000.00)

Annual amount needed from collections  
**\$935,000**

Amount needed from the weekly collections  
**\$17,980**

**Collection for the weekend of Nov. 9th and 10th**

Total collected at Masses \$10,305

Online WeShare Amount \$ 4,080

**Total \$14,385**

**Deficit for this week \$3,595**

**Deficit to Date \$ 108,864**

Diocesan Assessment \$2,432

**NOTE TO ENVELOPE USERS**

Unfortunately, the current packet of weekly envelopes sent to you had the envelope for November 28th incorrectly worded. A new and corrected envelope for Thanksgiving Day will be mailed to you designating the **Thanksgiving Day collection** for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry not Catholic Home Missions. Cathedral Corporation apologizes for the inconvenience.

**Daily Mass Readings**

**Monday**

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday**

2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday**

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday**

1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44

**Friday**

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday**

1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40



*Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY November 18th**  
*The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles*  
*Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin*

**8:30AM** Frank Candela  
 Karl Schlegel, Sr.  
 Ann Sockolof

**TUESDAY November 19th**  
**8:30AM** Phyllis D'Alessandro  
 Louis and Mary Esoldi  
 Vincent and Virginia Correntino

**WEDNESDAY November 20th**  
**8:30AM** Dominic Carton  
 Frank Gamba  
 Louis Aroneo

**THURSDAY November 21st**  
*The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
**8:30AM** Sisters Servants of Jesus (*Living*)  
 Ann Andrews  
 Catherine Heller

**FRIDAY November 22nd**  
*Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr*  
**8:30AM** Fr. John Calabro (*Living*)  
 Jack McDermott  
 Frank Buziak

**SATURDAY November 23rd**  
*Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr*  
*Saint Columban, Abbot*  
*Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr*  
**8:30AM** Gloria Shope  
 Joseph Waitkus  
 Frank and Jessie Giacumbo

**Solemnity of Christ the King**

**5:00PM (Vigil)** Luigi Tangreti  
 Shirley Caporaso  
 Deceased members of the Sheedy Family

**8:30AM** Therese McCloskey  
 Deacon Bill Wagner  
 Deceased members of the Buziak/McMonagle Families

**10:30AM** Frank Critelli  
 Gloria Shope  
 Christopher Giraldo

**6:00PM** Stephen Falk  
 Deceased members of the parish



The votive candle before  
 the statue of the Blessed Mother  
 is in memory of  
**Filomeno and Antonietta DiPaola**

## Service and community...Community and service

You will see in this bulletin photographs of some of the participants, youth, girl scouts, and parents, who came together last Friday evening to assemble packages to be distributed to the homeless in Newark and New York City. The energy and enthusiasm in the gym was a gift as the groups worked eagerly to put toothbrushes and toothpaste, soap, shampoo, and other items in bags which were decorated for distribution. The items will be a great gift but I also think that the decorated bags and written expressions from the children on those bags will bring a smile to those who receive them. Not to be forgotten is important and I pray that our sisters and brothers who receive these needed items, for whom life is rough, will know that a group of volunteers of various groups from this community thought of them and their need. Thank you to all who participated, especially our younger members.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, the number of volunteer firefighters across the country has been steadily in decline, with a drop of over 132,000 volunteers in just the last four years. Many volunteer fire departments, especially in rural communities, are struggling to meet the demands of their districts. Even more alarming, the most drastic demographic decline of volunteers is young people. In fact, over 50 percent of current volunteers across the country are over the age of 40. The widespread decrease in volunteering among young people threatens EMS services, pregnancy resource centers, shelters, and non-profits—from the Red Cross to retirement homes.

This is also something which effects us as a parish. Those who have for many years volunteered in a variety of ways are aging. They are not being replaced even though the need is there. The ability and decision to serve the needs of a community is a great good. In a time where people are becoming more isolated, volunteering not only gives a sense of purpose, deeper participation and fulfillment in being part of something, it is also a gift that we give to ourselves. It should feel good to do something which serves others. This is at the heart of our discipleship in Christ. Giving to others can also help protect your mental and physical health. It can reduce stress, combat depression, keep you mentally stimulated, and provide a sense of purpose. While it's true that the more you volunteer, the more benefits you'll experience, volunteering doesn't have to involve a long-term commitment or take a huge amount of time out of your busy day. Giving in even simple ways can help those in need and improve your health and happiness. An article I read recently listed some great benefits to volunteering: *Volunteering helps counteract the effects of stress, anger, and anxiety. Volunteering combats depression. Volunteering makes you happy. Volunteering increases self-confidence. Volunteering provides a sense of purpose. Volunteering helps you stay physically healthy.* It is also fun as it provides the opportunity to meet other people who share similar values.

Encouraging young people to volunteer is important which is why it is a component of both our youth ministry and our Confirmation program. My experiences remind me that young people like to volunteer. Now they may not initially agree with the need to go out and be part of something that may be outside of their preferred comfort zone, but once they get into it they feel a sense of belonging, accomplishment and purpose. This is important when we consider that young people, and maybe even those not so young, experience increasing anxiety, loneliness and depression. God is a community of persons and so as a community of faith we have the responsibility and desire to build community and offer a true sense of belonging which lends itself to ownership. That can be hard in a culture where there are many pressing factors on the use of our time. However, it is to the benefit of each one of us that we consider where we might be better served spiritually, emotionally, and physically when using the time we have. Study after study shows that volunteering, getting involved, doing something for others is good for us on many levels. Perhaps you could ask where your gifts and talents may be used to assist others. Parents, please encourage your children to volunteer. When starting young this becomes the pattern of formation and it will be a natural part of who they are.

Thank the Lord for all who volunteer—first responders who come to our aid in a variety of emergencies, those who give of their time and talent to serve this Township making it a great place to live in, and for those who volunteer to serve the mission of this parish which reaches well beyond our parish boundaries. May many others step up and follow your selfless example. It will be a great good for us and for them.

Peace, Fr. Richard

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Those who serve in the military:**

R.J. Hainey, Hayden Schultz, Michael Conant, Tyler Nelson, Damian McCoy, Calla Ann Armenti, Dylan T. Jones, James Minogue, Stephen J. Campbell, Frank Fasano, Richard Lister, Eric Leverone, Jay Donato, Frank Messina, Eileen Murphy, Peter Giovanni

**Those who are ill:**

Paul Giegerich, Jr., Tony Festa, John and Elizabeth Early, Mary Bigelis, Deacon Peter O'Neill, John Wharton, Kevin Shea, Pat Bergin, James Castagna, Sharon Baker, Jennifer Pellecchia, Rhoda & Ike Blake, Denise Garcia, Susan Olkusz, Cecile Fountain Jardim, Rita D'Angelo, Jim Fittin, Sandra Fittin, Jane Moran, John Daglian, Parker Watson, Annette McGrory, Lucy Bustillos, Bill Wallisch, Larry Oster, and Nanci Gamba

**Those who have died to this world**

Jeffrey Dahl, Mario Parisi and Rafael Zambrano  
**Requiescat in Pace**

May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in your eternal peace. Amen

**SHRINE OF SAINT JOSEPH  
DINNER OF THANKSGIVING**



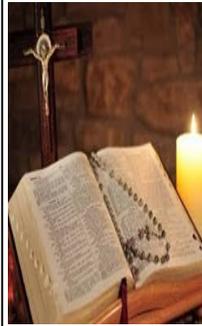
Join the Friends of the Shrine for the 95th Anniversary Celebration of the Shrine of St. Joseph on **Thursday, November 21st**. The honorees are the Sisters Servants of Jesus and Mrs. Mary Kenny.

Mass will be celebrated at 5:30pm in the Shrine Chapel and dinner will follow at

6:45pm at the Primavera Regency, Stirling.

For additional information please contact Jill DeFabio at [jilldefabio@gmail.com](mailto:jilldefabio@gmail.com) or Jim Minogue at [james.minogue@gmail.com](mailto:james.minogue@gmail.com).

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**



**First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3**  
Samuel describes how all the tribes of Israel went to David in Hebron and said they were his bone and his flesh and it was he who led them back to Israel. The Lord told David he would be a shepherd to His people. David made an agreement with the elders and was anointed king.

**Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20**

Paul explains to the Colossians that God has made them fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light and that through the Son we have redemption and forgiveness of sin. He describes Jesus as the image of the invisible God, the head of the church and in Him all things hold together.

**Gospel: Luke 23:35-43**

Jesus is mocked by the crowd as he hung on the cross. Above him was an inscription that read "This is the king of the Jews." One of the men being crucified with Jesus tells Him to save them and Himself, while the other asks that he be remembered when Jesus is in his kingdom. Jesus said in reply, "Amen I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

**WE NEED LECTORS**



The Ministry of Lector is exercised by one who has a love for the Scripture, feels confident in proclaiming the sacred texts at Mass and desires to use their baptismal gifts in service to the Lord and this community.

Please prayerfully consider participating in this beautiful ministry. Contact Steve Delia at [steve@littleway.us](mailto:steve@littleway.us) or the parish office so that training can be arranged to familiarize you with the Ministry of Lector.

**Getting Ready For Sunday**



Fr. Richard's Bible Study **will not be meeting on Thursday, November 21st or November 28th. Bible Study will resume on Thursday, December 5th.**

Advent is an opportune time to experience a deeper insight and understanding into the readings for Sunday Mass.

When we resume, we will gather on Thursdays at 1:00 to 2:00pm in the church meeting room and at 7:30pm to 9:00pm in the Library.

Registration or previous attendance is not required.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

Volunteers are needed to help with our tradition of Breakfast With Santa to be held on **Saturday, December 7th at 10am** in the Pastoral Center Gym. If you can donate your time to help at this festive event please

contact Teri at the parish office or by email to [tkesselmeyer@stvincentschurch.org](mailto:tkesselmeyer@stvincentschurch.org).

**If you would like to purchase tickets to attend please visit the parish website.**





**Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne  
1769-1852**

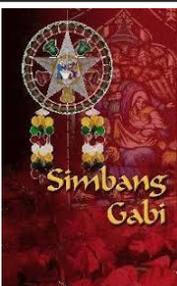
**Feast Day November 18th**

Growing up in a prosperous French family, Philippine joined the Visitation nuns, but returned to her family during the French Revolution. In 1804 she entered the Society of the Sacred Heart. After much

preparation, she led a missionary journey to Missouri in 1818. She set up the first free school west of the Mississippi, Sacred Heart houses and Novitiate, and a school for Indians. Despite frontier hardships and ill health, she persevered in her early dream of serving Native Americans.

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**SIMBANG GABI**



Parishioners are invited to join our Diocesan and parish sponsored Simbang Gabi, a Filipino tradition of a nine day novena of Masses during Advent. Please come on **Monday, December 16th** for Mass at **7:00pm** celebrated by Fr. Richard. The novena is coordinated by the Diocesan Commission for Catholic Filipino Ministries of the Paterson Diocese. Refreshments to follow in the church meeting room. For information contact Emma Militante at [mommilitante@gmail.com](mailto:mommilitante@gmail.com).

**2019 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

*For I Was Hungry..."*

The ability to reach out to people in need through our Bishop's Annual Appeal is completely dependent on the number of faithful parishioners who participate by making a gift. That is why every gift counts!

Your support helps bring hope to thousands of people who come to our Catholic Charities agencies each year. It also supports seminarian education, our diocesan priests' residence, extraordinary healthcare needs of our priests and our urban elementary schools.

In addition, parishes receive half of all funds received over their parish goals, with almost \$650,000 returned last year to parishes-and over \$2.9 million in five years!

Please help your neighbors in need and our own parish by making a gift today. For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at [www.2019appeal.org](http://www.2019appeal.org).

**SAINT AGNES FOOD DRIVE**



The St. Damien Council of the Knights of Columbus will be accepting Thanksgiving Day Dinner food donations on **Saturday evening and Sunday morning, November 23rd and 24th.** Please see enclosed flyers for details.

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*The Knights are in need of a small box truck for the Thanksgiving Day Food Drive. We have the drivers but we need a truck!*

*The truck would be used on the weekend of November 23rd and 24th. If you are able to help with this request please contact Rich Krenek at 908-698-2244 or [krens@optonline.net](mailto:krens@optonline.net).*

**BAKERS NEEDED!**



The **Rosary Altar Society Bake Sale** will take place next weekend **November 23rd and 24th** after all Masses. Please consider baking your favorite pie, cake, or cookies. Bring your nicely wrapped donation on Saturday by 4pm or

before any Mass you will attend next weekend. Questions? Contact Karen Nyquist at [Karen.nyquist@gmail.com](mailto:Karen.nyquist@gmail.com).

Would you like to support a family who just welcomed a new baby by providing a meal or two? Please contact Jackie Krenek at [jbkrenek@gmail.com](mailto:jbkrenek@gmail.com) for more information.

*"Give your hands to serve and your heart to love." St. Teresa of Calcutta*



**FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER**



**Students in 3rd grade and beyond** who are interested in training to be an **Altar Server** are encouraged to have a parent contact Sr. Krystyna at the parish office to let us know so that training can be set up for you.

Serving at the Altar is a great gift to Jesus and this community and will deepen your love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

**Food Pantry Needs**



Coffee, rice, peanut butter, chili, canned beets, canned mixed vegetables, canned beans, canned creamed corn, canned fruit, hot cocoa, pancake mix and honey nut cheerios. Please no oversized or

bulk items. Thank you in advance for your generosity to those in need.



**“Help the Homeless” Service Project sponsored by St. Vincent’s Youth and Senior Girl Scout Troop 4581 was quite the success bringing together over 60 young volunteers and adult helpers to assemble toiletries and socks in decorative brown bags. Special thanks to Sr. Elsa, Fr. Richard, Lynne Vreeland, Gloria Aroneo and all those who came together to help those in need and for supporting Bridges Outreach.**

