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"The school of Christ is the school of love. On the last day, when the general examination takes place...love will be the whole syllabus."

—St. Robert Bellarmine

## **Pastor**

Fr. Richard A. Narciso

## **Pastor Emeritus**

Fr. John LaPointe

## **Deacon Assistant**

Joseph Tumminelli



## **Mass Schedule**

### **Saturday Vigil**

5:00 PM

### **Sunday Morning**

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 11:30 AM

### **Weekdays and Holy Days**

As announced in bulletin

### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday through Thursday

9:00 AM to Noon

12:30 PM to 4:30 PM

## **Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization**

Dina Veiga, Director

232-9321

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### **Director of Music**

Tom Roy

### **Parish Secretary**

Diane Mosca

### **Business Manager**

Sandra Rainone

## **Sacraments**

**Baptism:** Please call Parish Office for registration

**Marriage:** Please call the Parish Office one year prior to setting any dates for Ceremony or Reception

**Confession:** Saturdays, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or by arranging a time with the parish priest

**Ministry to the Sick:** Parishioners who are confined to home due to illness or age, may call the Parish Office for home visits

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, November 18**

5:00 PM OPEN INTENTION

**SUNDAY, November 19**

8:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

10:00 AM Corine Holtmann (Birth.),  
*By family*

11:30 AM Peter Scuccess (1st Ann.),  
*By wife and sons*

**MONDAY, November 20**

8:00 AM Thomas Kevane (Rem.),  
*By Eileen*

**TUESDAY, November 21**

8:00 AM Stephen DeSantis (Rem.),  
*By family*

**WEDNESDAY, November 22**

8:00 AM Thomas Kevane (Rem.),  
*By Lucy*

**THURSDAY, November 23 Thanksgiving Day**

8:00 AM Fr. Joseph Cooney, Fr. Patrick  
Hanrahan & Fr. Joseph Horgan (Rem.),  
*By the SRB Parish family*

**FRIDAY, November 24**

8:00 AM For the Intentions  
of Emmy & Nicholas  
*By Nonni*

**SATURDAY, November 25**

5:00 PM Joey Capobianco (20<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By family*  
Muriel Keegan (15<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By family*

**SUNDAY, November 26**

8:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

10:00 AM Blanche LaBelle (19<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By daughter and family*  
Ralph Campagnone (14<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By family*

11:30 AM Alexander Gonsalves Veiga  
(12<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By mom*  
Christopher Tumminelli (Birth.),  
*By family*



**Sanctuary Lamp**

Week of Nov. 19 – Nov. 25

***'In Memory of'***

Blanche Barbarita (Rem.),  
*By the Barbarita family*

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In today's Gospel, Jesus talks about the correlation between faithfulness and responsibilities. Family life provides many opportunities to

illustrate this connection for children. As children prove themselves trustworthy, they can be trusted to take on greater responsibilities. Jesus teaches us in this parable that when we show ourselves to be trustworthy in small matters, we can be trusted to participate in greater matters of responsibility.

As you gather as a family, take some time to recall how each child in the family has matured and can now be trusted with greater responsibilities.

Say: ***In today's Gospel, Jesus talked about how our trustworthiness in small matters shows that we can also be trusted to share in the work of serving the Kingdom of Heaven.*** Read Matthew 15:14-30. Say: ***We share in the work of serving the Kingdom of Heaven when we use our talents to help and serve others.***

As a family, choose one thing to do this week to serve others. Conclude in prayer together, asking God's help so that your family may serve others more faithfully. Pray together the [Prayer to the Holy Spirit](#).

Peace, Dina

## Join Us on Thanksgiving Day

This coming Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. For



sure, it is a day on which believers are called to give thanks and praise to God for all the blessings and gifts that are bestowed

upon us throughout the year. With family members and friends, we will have the opportunity to enjoy parades, hearty meals, football games and rich desserts etc.

Throughout the day, let us also be sure to be mindful of the presence and action of our Triune God in our lives. **Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 AM on Thanksgiving Day.** A blessing will be bestowed upon items that will be shared at your table. Feel free to bring items such as bread, rolls, wine or cider, but we ask that your turkey, side dishes and desserts remain at home.

## A Word of Thanksgiving and Gratitude



With memories of our parish's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Bazaar in mind, I would like to take a moment to offer a word of thanksgiving and gratitude to Sandra Cerel and the team of volunteers

whose dedication and commitment once again made the event such a great success. Also, I am grateful for the various donations made by many parishioners, friends and local businesses. Lastly, know that all vendors, patrons and others who supported the event in any way are very much appreciated. By way of reminder, all proceeds from the Annual Holiday Bazaar are used in support of our parish's Food Shelf and Outreach Ministry. In Christ, Fr. Richard

## Daily Readings

### **Sunday**

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

### **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 or, for Thanksgiving Day, any readings from the Mass, "In Thanksgiving to God"

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

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

## Wreath Sale



The scouts will be selling Advent wreaths and Christmas wreaths after all Masses on November 25th and 26th. The wreaths will cost \$25.00 each. Cash,

check or Venmo @troop twenty-Johnston will be accepted. All proceeds will go towards the scouts' June camping trip to New York to learn about Citizenship in the Nation.

## To: Children and Parents

## From: Tom Roy, Music Director

## RE: Children's Choir for Christmas

Children in grades 3 and up are invited to participate in the Children's Christmas Choir for 2023.

Participants must be able to attend all rehearsals.

**Call Tom Roy at 401-232-2629 to register.**

## The schedule is as follows:

**Friday, December 8**

**Rehearsal 4:00 to 5:00pm**

**Friday, December 15**

**Rehearsal 4:00 to 5:00pm**

**Friday, December 22**

**Rehearsal 4:00 to 5:00pm**

**Sunday, December 24**

**Christmas Eve Liturgy 4:30pm**

**(Choir members must arrive at 3:45pm)**



### Anointing of the Sick



In the Church's Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal

them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. His cures were signs of the arrival of the Kingdom of God. The core message of his healing tells us of his plan to conquer sin and death by his dying and rising.

The Rite of Anointing tells us there is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness is sufficient.

When the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is given, the hoped-for effect is that, if it be God's will, the person be physically healed of illness. But even if there is no physical healing, the primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age. **Source:**

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/anointing-of-the-sick>

### *For Whom Are You Praying?* Prayer Chain



*Add their names to the Prayer Chain.  
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### Parish Support November 11/12

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A word of gratitude to those who continue to contribute to the ongoing financial support of the parish. Offerings may be made during Mass, dropped off at the rectory, sent in by mail or forwarded by way of your bank's electronic bill pay service. Online giving continues to be an option here at the parish. To begin taking advantage of this option, click on the link for "ParishSoft Online Giving" found on the homepage of the parish's website - [www.strobertsparish.org](http://www.strobertsparish.org)

#### Collections for November

**November 19 – Weekly and Human Development**

**November 26 - Weekly**



### THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT OF OUR FOOD SHELF and OUTREACH MINISTRY

As always, donations of \$10.00, \$15.00,  
\$20.00 or \$25.00



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are appreciated.

### Christmas 2023



As we have done in past years, we will once again be sponsoring a **Giving Tree Program**. Gift tags with particular requests will soon be available.

We thank you in advance

for your anticipated generosity and support.

**The following food items are needed for  
Christmas Food**

**Baskets:** Stuffing mix, Turkey Gravy, Fruit Cocktail, Cranberry Sauce, Canned Yams, Canned Corn, Green Beans, Canned Peas

#### Christmas Food Baskets





## **St. Robert Bellarmine Church**

### *January Cash Calendar*

**Stay tuned for our January 2024**

**Cash Calendar**

**Sales will begin on December 1st**

**What a great Christmas Gift or Stocking Stuffer**

**for the person on your list**

**who has everything!**

**A drawing for a cash prize every day in January!!**

## **Are you sure you know about purgatory?**



When it comes to the most misunderstood doctrines of the Catholic Church, purgatory probably ranks at the top. Often, these misunderstandings are manifested in what everyday folks say about purgatory.

Let's consider [one] of these catchphrases here: **“If I don’t get a chance to turn my life around for the Lord here on earth, I’ll just do it when I’m in purgatory.”**

This saying exposes perhaps the greatest myth about purgatory: that it's a second chance for salvation. At least for the Catholic Church, purgatory is only for those who, in the words of the *Catechism* (CCC), “die in God’s grace and friendship” (1030). The *Catechism* goes on to affirm that such people are “assured of their eternal salvation.”

The Bible supports this view of purgatory. Consider, for example, Hebrews 9:27: “It is appointed for men to die once, and after that comes judgment.” Jesus’s parable of the rich man and Lazarus in Luke 16 confirms the idea that the judgment immediately following death (the particular judgment—CCC 1022) secures one’s eternal destiny.

We’re told that Lazarus died and then “was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom” (v.22). After the rich man’s death, he found himself “in Hades, being in torment” (v.23). That their destinies were secure is indicated what Abraham tells the rich man, “Between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us” (v.26).

Since the Bible reveals that a soul’s ultimate destiny is secure immediately after death, whether heaven or hell, it follows that the ultimate destiny of every soul in purgatory is secure. And since the Catholic Church teaches that the destiny of every soul in purgatory is heaven (they died in God’s grace and friendship), it follows that every soul in purgatory is secure with respect to his salvation. Purgatory, therefore, is *not* a place for second chances. **Source and to read more, visit: <https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/are-you-sure-you-know-about-purgatory>**





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