

THIRTY-THREE SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME, NOVEMBER 13, 2022

Announced Masses

November 12, Saturday,

4 PM Raymond Schlott by John & Bonnie Schlott

Sunday, Thirty-third Sunday, November 13,

9:00 AM Lucrezia Benincasa & Family

11:15 AM Emily Foote by Elaine & Mike Foote

Monday, November 14,

9:00 AM Tony Boere (L) by Jim & Nancy Rizzi

Tuesday, November 15,

9:00 AM NO MASS

Wednesday, November 16,

9:00 AM NO MASS

Thursday, November 17,

9:00 AM All Souls in Purgatory by Elisa Joergle

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, 7pm Parish Center

Friday, November 18,

9:00 AM Rachele Sannino & Family

Saturday, November 19th,

4:00 PM Jack Newman by Pat Newman

Sunday, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, 11/20

Note: **There will be only one Mass on**

Sunday, 11/20 at 10AM For:

1. Ron & Anna Meyer by Anna & Ron Meyer
Happy 40th Wedding Anniversary!
2. Patricia Holland by Elaine & Mike Foote

THE ALTAR BREAD for NOVEMBER:

For Pat Foote Holland

THE ALTAR CANDLES

For Emily Foote

by Mike & Elaine Foote

200 Club

#175 Rose Cuiffreda

The perfect prayer is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Why not offer this most special prayer to someone living who is in need of special graces, or those who are deceased in need of special mercy. (Please fill out the form kept at the back of the Church and return it by Mail or put it in the collection basket.)

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Jeanine Poth, Barbara & Vinny Donnelly and Mary Ann, Melita Braun, Betty Ford, Jane Fay, Abigail, David, Jennifer, Shane Kelsey, Anne Suppa, Michele Griesbaum, Lisa Donohue, James Valenti, Kathleen Quinn, Vincent Russo, Aliya Rachlin, Tara Byrne, Bob Einterz, Andrea Fedoruk, Nicky Castagna, Michael and Matthew Mclean, and Samantha. For Our Military Personnel: Vaughn Schlott, Ana Lucia Teran-Stasilli, Arianar Severf, Larry Weiss, Martin Kamen, Peggy Connolly, Mary Ann, Kimberly Chatfield, Isabella Marchese, Ira Glickler, Rose Infantino, Cathy Gerrard, Linda Bozza, Stephanie Freer Greyden Freer, Karen Fullone, Carol Scott, Eileen Hoynes Hope Traver, Louise Smith, Stephen Scognamiglio, Pam Kocher, Gabriella Francesca Maria Paolini, Janice Mutia, Rose Ann Donnadio, Steven & Kelly Spencer, Pastor Linda Bohs, Jeanne Boyar Arniery, Lee VanSaaders, , Grace Garufi, Joe Garufi, Cheryl Novak, Melaina Elms, Neil R. Stasilli III, Michael Jaszczak and Anthony Horecky.

CONTACT THE RECTORY FOR YOUR LOVED ONES NAMES TO BE ADDED IN PRAYER LIST

The Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle: be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

THE MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word incarnate despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

THE CARDINAL'S APPEAL—FINAL TALLY

Our goal was \$7,500

Our pledges were \$18,011

Our pledges donated: \$18,011 (=100%)

The Cardinal's Donation to us: \$6,306.60 (60% over goal)

BRAVO! WELL DONE!

MEN'S GROUP MEETING

Thursday, December 1st, 6:00pm Parish Center

ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Is hosting "Paint the Grain" on November 15 at 7pm
in The Parish Center. The cost is \$30.00

RSVP to Tess by Nov 1 for reservations 570-832-1262

TODAY'S READINGS (by Fr. RJB)

FIRST READING

In our reading from the Book of the Prophet Malachi we have the prophetic prediction of the cleansing of the world from all evildoers through the means of fire. Those who remain will be the ones who fear God's name and He will give to the remnant the "sun of justice with its healing rays." Yes, God can grow weary of evil and something like the great flood could arise as in the time of Noah, but wouldn't it be so nice if humanity doesn't go down this self-destructive path? Let us do what we can to warn others and to show them how to live righteous lives by our example!

SECOND READING

In our second reading from St. Paul's second letter to the Thessalonians, St. Paul encourages those to stay busy and productive, avoiding the poison of gossip and its laziness! If we are gossiping, then we are not working—our hands may be building something but our tongues are destroying all the good that we do!

THE GOSPEL

This Gospel speaks about the end-times and all the tribulations that are predicted to befall the earth: wars, insurrections, earthquakes, famine, plagues and "signs from the sky." The followers of Jesus will also be persecuted—imprisoned and brought to court to defend the faith. The very name of "Jesus" will be hated by their oppressors. Wow, sometimes I wonder if we are almost there!

We really do live in troubled times and every age has had its challenges, however, through it all, by our perseverance in the faith, we "will secure our lives." That means our faith has to be rock-solid and super-strong! Where do we get such faith? You know where. Here at church—in person, receiving the very fullness and the very power of God to transcend all adversity, and live in the full peace of Christ!

SUNDAY COLLECTION: November 6, \$2,115.00

ALL SAINTS COLLECTION: \$546.00

BEREAVEMENT GROUP WILL BE STARTING

SUNDAY OCTOBER 2, at the Rectory

1:30 to 3:30 pm

Let the healing begin!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

December 13, Parish Center—1pm to 6pm

Call 1800 RED-CROSS for appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION @ OUR CHURCH

Our religious education program will begin on Thursday, November 17th. Classes will be held from 5:30 to 6:30pm at the Parish Center. The grades being taught will be from 2nd to 9th grade. If there are children needing to receive their sacraments, please contact Anna Meyer, our Coordinator

DID YOU EVER FEEL ODD OR...

By Fr. Richard J. Bretone

Did you ever feel odd or irrationally frightened when the sun goes down and darkness ensues. I remember it happened to me a very long time ago in the fall when I was studying at school. It occurred around the time of the ending of Daylight Savings Time—kind of like where we find ourselves today, one week after changing back the clocks.

I felt a malaise, a non-defined feeling of dread, like something bad could happen. Thankfully, I spoke to a good friend, and I realized that I was starting my last year of college. I was concerned that something would happen that would prevent my graduating. I believe it was because I managed to not graduate on my first try at college when I was 16 years old. I dreaded the same thing happening when I finally had a purpose to be there, that is, to complete one of the building blocks of my call to priesthood.

It wasn't until just a few months ago that I was sharing this experience with my sister and she said that there is actually a condition called: "Sundowning—Late-day confusion." It refers to "a state of confusion occurring in the late afternoon and lasting into the night. [It] can cause different behaviors such as confusion, anxiety, aggression, or ignoring directions. Sundowning can also lead to pacing and wandering." [Mayo Clinic—Google] The causes aren't clear, but sometimes it appears in people with dementia.

In my experience, it was a fear of repeating failure. Whatever may be the cause, the remedy is always the same: faith: faith in the future, faith in our God, a God who cares for each of us so uniquely and so specially! It is a good idea to think of this God as the light, the Light that dispels the darkness! Yes, the darkness of fear, of despair and of sin.

With our God it is never Sundowning, it is always Son-rising! Jesus, the same yesterday, today and tomorrow!

AMEN!