

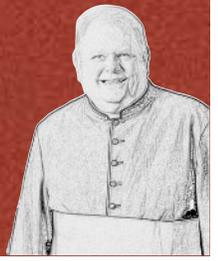


# Saint Cecilia Parish

All Souls' Day



## WITH THE HELP OF SAINT CECILIA PASTORAL REFLECTIONS



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend we celebrate All Souls' Day, which naturally brings us to reflect on praying for the dead.

All Christians mourn the dead. They thank God for the gifts they have received from the life of the deceased, and console each other by remembering the person and telling stories about them.

Catholics mourn the dead in just the same way, but they believe something more. Catholics believe that God's mercy extends beyond the grave, and that there is a state or place where the mercy of God can prepare the deceased person for the perfect bliss of heaven. This place of purification is called purgatory.

Catholics also believe that God answers their prayers to forgive the sins of their deceased brothers, particularly when they celebrate the Eucharist, the Holy and Living Sacrifice of the Cross.

Most Protestants do not believe in a place of purification beyond the grave or that our prayers for the dead have any effect. That is why many non-Catholic Funerals are called "Celebrations of Life," which only look back on and celebrate the life of the person who has died.

Catholics not only look back in thanksgiving, but look forward in hope, to the continuing Mercy of God, who hears our prayers that he forgive the sins of those who have gone before us in faith.

Let us, then, recall all those who have gone before, marked with the sign of faith, and pray for them frequently, that God might have mercy on their souls and lead them to a place of refreshment, light and peace.

That is why the 11:15am Mass today will be in Saint Cecilia's Cemetery, that we might remember those who have been buried there in the past year in a particular way, and commend them to the Mercy of God.

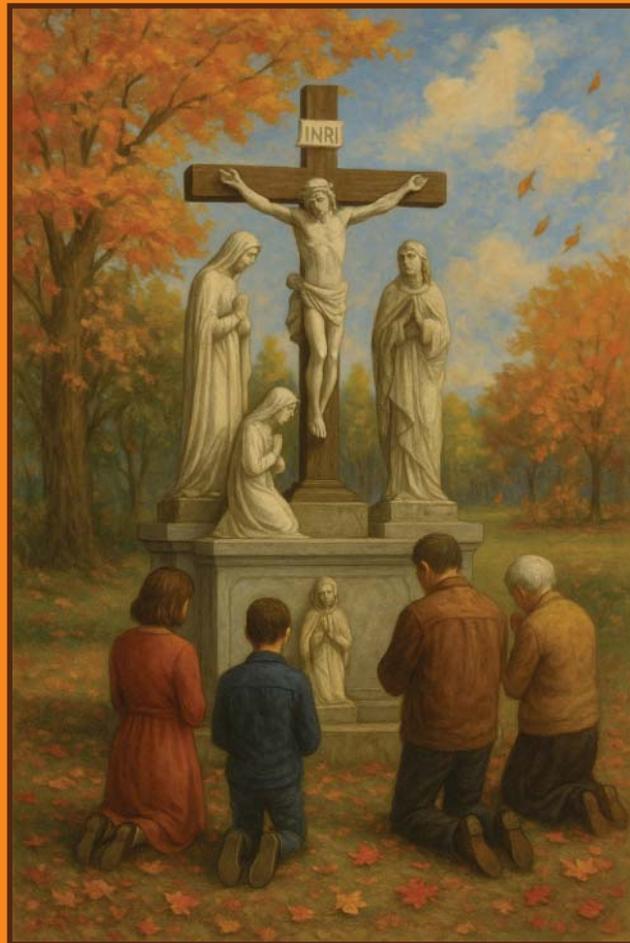
In the Lord,

Monsignor Moroney



# Prayers for All Souls' Day

*November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day). Your prayers for those who have "gone before us marked with the sign of faith" might be offered at home, in Church or even at the cemetery, which Pope Pius XII once referred to as a "garden of hope," where "the bond of charity is seen to transcend death; it is where the prayers of the living bring comfort to the souls of the departed." Here are four prayers you might use, taken from the Order of Christian Funerals.*

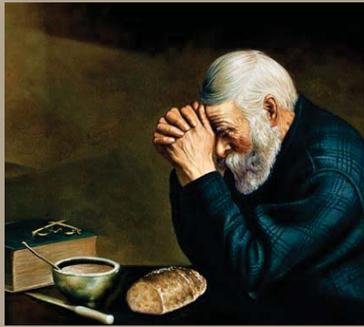


Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed  
through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Incline your ear, O Lord, to our prayers, by which  
we humbly entreat your mercy, that, as you  
graciously numbered your servant **N.** among your  
people in this world, you may now set him in a  
place of peace and light and grant him a share in  
the company of your Saints. We ask this through  
Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

May the Angels  
lead you into paradise;  
may the martyrs  
come to welcome you  
and lead you to the holy city,  
the new and eternal Jerusalem.

Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our brother/sister **N.** in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, he/she will rise with him on the last day. We give you thanks for the blessings which you bestowed upon them in this life: they are signs to us of your goodness and of our unity with the saints in Christ. Merciful Lord, turn toward us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of paradise to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and our brother /sister for ever. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## PRAY WITH US!

**Pray for all who are sick, and especially for:** Barbara Casey, Al Lamoureux, Connie Aubuchon, Ann Murphy, Helen St. Germaine, Janet Baron, Rosemarie (Albert) Orr, Mark Rohoc, Lisa Stacy, Steve Augat, Lindsey Booth and Judith Melanson.

Join us in praying for those who have died recently especially; Robert Rouisse and Ronald Constant. Pray for their families, as well, that they may be consoled by the promises of Christ.

If you know someone who needs prayers, call the rectory or email [office@stceciliachurch.net](mailto:office@stceciliachurch.net) and we will add them to our prayer list for the next several weeks.

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The St. Cecilia Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will once again be hosting our Christmas Giving Tree.

If you know of a parishioner who could use some extra help in making Christmas a little cheerier, please have them call **351-356-4733** and leave a message with their name and phone number and one of our members will return their call.

In addition, we will also have tags on the tree for The Guild of St. Agnes Child Care Centers and the Diocesan Seminarians.

Deadline for requests is November 15<sup>th</sup>.



## THE MONTACHUSETT CHORALE

WILL PRESENT AN HOUR OF REMEMBRANCE

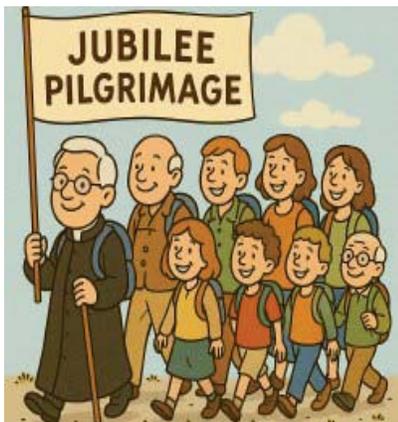
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### Reminder

Day of Pilgrimage with Father Shaughnessy is this Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, starting with Mass in the chapel at 9am. The bus will depart the church parking lot at 9:30am.



Come on Saturday

afternoon to our

Christmas Acadia Fair for

the return of the LouAnn's

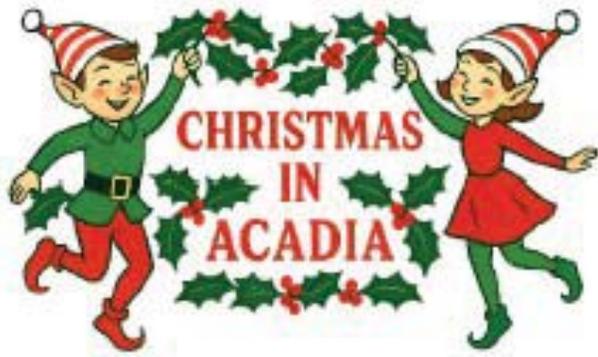
Christmas Line Dancers

and new this year, join in

with Annette for Christmas Caroling.

Song lyrics will be distributed. See next week's bulletin for more details.





**Friday,  
November 14<sup>th</sup>  
from 5:00 to 8:00pm**

**Saturday,  
November 15<sup>th</sup>  
from Noon to 6:00pm**

**It's coming quickly! We are in need of your donations. Due to the generosity of so many parishioners, year after year, we are blessed to keep our Fair "Christmas in Acadia" expenses to a minimum. If you haven't already done so, please consider donating this year? Here are a few suggestions for you...**

**Handmade With Love Booth** - We are in need of handmade articles such as afghans, mittens, ornaments, stocking-stuffers, small handmade crafts, etc.



**Silent Auction Booth** - Un-used gift cards, art work, get-a-way weekend, and sports jerseys, jackets or memorabilia.

**Teen Area** --- could use new items such as electronics, music, clothing, games, accessories, jewelry, gift cards, etc...

**Theme Baskets** - Ideas: Cooking Basket, Pet Basket, Toy Basket (girl, boy), Bath Basket, Scratch Ticket Basket, etc.

**Acadian Auction And Pot Luck** - We are accepting any new gifts, small and large, as well as monetary donations. A few suggestions may be gift cards, small kitchen appliances, children's toys, tools, etc...



***Your donations are gratefully appreciated and may be dropped off at the rectory during office hours. If you would like your item donated to a specific booth, please label accordingly. Thanks!!***

## **LET'S GET BAKING**



**APPLES AND PIE TINS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND AND NEXT FOR THE BAKED GOODS TABLE AND PIE BOOTH. YOU CAN ALSO USE APPLES FOR APPLE CRISP, APPLE MUFFINS, APPLE CAKES, APPLE SAUCE, ETC...**

**PLEASE PICK UP CHRISTMAS IN ACADIA LAWN SIGNS AFTER MASS TODAY. THEY ARE ON THE RECTORY BACK PORCH LOCATED BY THE GARAGES. LET'S LET EVERYONE KNOW ABOUT OUR UPCOMING FAIR!**



Our Christmas in Acadia Fair is almost here and we need your help!



Next Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:00am we will be breaking down the hall and setting up the booths. If 8:00am is too early for you, no problem come when you can. The more help we have, the faster the setup will be.

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**SIGN ME UP!**

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My Email is \_\_\_\_\_  
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A Good Time to Call me is \_\_\_\_\_



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating           | <input type="checkbox"/> Game Booths or Raffles     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning             | <input type="checkbox"/> Anything You Need!         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baking               | <input type="checkbox"/> I Want To Donate Something |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poutines/Râpée       |   |



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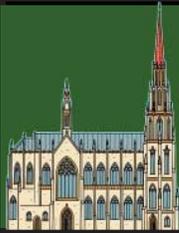
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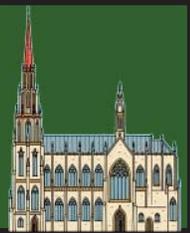


This is a great opportunity for National Honor Society Students!

For more information, call BettyAnn at 978-537-6541  
or email [BettyAnn@stceciliachurch.net](mailto:BettyAnn@stceciliachurch.net)



# THIS WEEK AT SAINT CECILIA



Saturday      November 1      Vigil      *Breaking Bread, page 228*

3:00pm Confessions (Church)  
**4:00pm Mass** for Claire Quiet, by the family (Church)

Sunday      November 2      Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time      *Breaking Bread, page 228*

**7:00am Mass** for Sylvia LeBlanc (40<sup>th</sup> anniv.), by Anne Marie and Roger Goguen (Church)  
 9:30-11:00am OCIA Group Meeting (Rectory)  
**9:45am Mass** for Roger Champagne(7<sup>th</sup> anniv.), by Helen, Brian and family (Church)  
 9:45-11:00am Religious Education for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd through Grade 6 (Parish Center)  
**11:15am Mass** for Evelyn Bergeron, by the family (at Cemetery weather permitting or Church)  
 1:00 Baptism of Jaxon Douglas Harris and Liam Brian Reilly (Church)  
 3:00pm Montachusett Chorale Hour of Remembrance with Sacred Music and the Spoken Word (Church)  
 6:00-8:00pm Sunday Night Card Players (Parish Center)

Monday      November 3      Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Norman Vautour, by Yvonne Richard (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
 7:00-8:15pm Religious Education for Grades 7 through 10 (Parish Center)

Tuesday      November 4      Saint Charles Borromeo

**9:00am Mass** for Francis Vautour, by Jeannette (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)

Wednesday      November 5      Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Roger Champagne, by his wife, Yvonne (Chapel)  
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows Mass - Benediction at Noon (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
**6:00pm Mass** for Father Robert E. Gariepy, by last will (Chapel)  
 6:30pm Confessions (Church)  
 7:00pm Rosary (Chapel)

Thursday      November 6      Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Jeannette Brow, by last will (Chapel)  
 9:30am Confessions (Church)  
 9:30am Bible Study on The Chosen Series (Parish Center)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
 6:00pm Bible Study on The Chosen Series (Parish Center)  
 7:00-9:00pm Haitian Prayer Group (Chapel)

Friday November 8 Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Deanna Baron, by Kevin and Michele Mack, Brandon FH (Chapel)  
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows Mass - Benediction at Noon (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
 6:30pm BINGO (Parish Center) Doors open at 4:00pm; Game starts at 6:30pm

Saturday November 9 Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Lucie Henry, by Anne Marie and Jean Noel Bernard (Chapel)  
 9:30am Confessions (Church)

Saturday November 9 Vigil *Breaking Bread, page 230*

3:00pm Confessions (Church)  
**4:00pm Mass** for Ovila (53<sup>rd</sup> anniv.) and Lucille (13<sup>th</sup> anniv.) Richard, by their children (Church)

Sunday November 10 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica *Breaking Bread, page 230*

**7:00am Mass** for Bertin LeBlanc (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.), by his wife, Ginette and family (Church)  
 9:30-11:00am OCIA Group Meeting (Rectory)  
**9:45am Mass** for Lester and Alice Lamothe, by their daughters (Church)  
 9:45-11:00am Religious Education for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd through Grade 6 (Parish Center)  
**11:15am Mass** for Kelsey Clifford (6<sup>th</sup> anniv.), by Anne Marie and Jean Noel Bernard (Church)  
 6:00-8:00pm Sunday Night Card Players (Parish Center)





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