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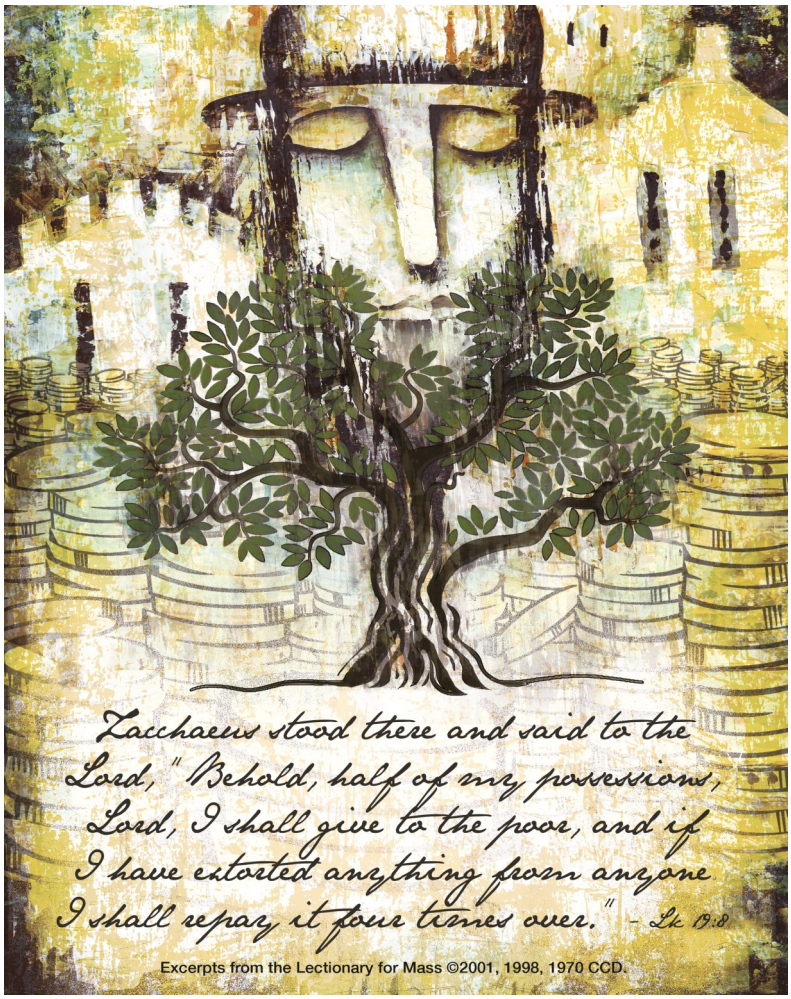

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:30am & 5:30pm-Life Teen
Daily: Monday & Wednesday 6:30am
Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am
Communion Service: Friday 6:30am
Holydays and Holidays subject to change
(see bulletin)

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Office Hours

Monday–Thursday 9:00am–6:00pm
Friday 9:00am–4:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday CLOSED

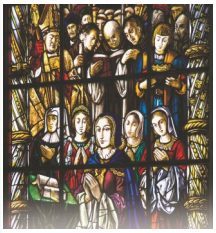
Pastor's Page

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

It is hard to believe, but we are now almost in the month of November! It is often a busy month as we get ready for the great family event of Thanksgiving and thoughts also begin to turn to Christmas (and there are already plenty of Christmas things about, not least in the stores). We begin the month by celebrating the great feast day of "All Saints". (It is a Holy Day of Obligation, so please see the Mass schedule for the times of Masses.)

We give thanks and honor to all those special disciples who indeed heard the Lord's call and then bravely followed him. We can also remember that, as Peter Kreeft puts it: …"the Saints are not freaks or exceptions. They are the standard operating model for human beings. In fact, in the biblical sense of the word, all believers are saints. All are holy…for they bear the image of God. Saints are not the opposite of sinners. There are no opposites of sinners in this world. There are only saved sinners and unsaved sinners. Thus "holy" does not mean "sinless" but rather "set-apart:" called out of the world to the destiny of eternal ecstasy with God."

Our feast day is a powerful reminder of how we can also be inspired by the lives of the saints. We too have the same call and the same invitation and the Lord offers us the same help so that we can follow him. So, we are asked not just to admire the saints, but also to imitate them. November then is a great month to pick a saint each day and to read about their life so that we can imitate their example and so that we too can use well the gift of discipleship that we have received from the Lord. We too can be brave!



November is also, of course, the month of "Holy Souls": when we traditionally think of all our family, friends and benefactors who have gone before us. To mark this time, during the 11.30 am Mass this weekend we remember all our departed brothers and sisters, especially those who have died in the last year and who have a particular connection with our parish of St. Ambrose. (Many thanks to all those who have helped with this wonderful and moving event!) A reminder too that we will also be offering Mass each day during the month for those on our memorial list (taken from the All Souls envelopes that have been handed in) and for those in our Book of Remembrance (this can be found in front of the ambo/lectern on the sanctuary). **On All Souls Day (2nd November), we will have the usual 6:30 am Mass and an extra Mass at 9:00 am.**

The tradition of praying for all our loved ones who have died is, of course, very ancient and it can be found in almost all cultures and places over millennia. The specific choice of November as the month for a particular remembering is also ancient: around a thousand years old or more. It can be a difficult time as we think of those who have had such an influence on our lives but who are no longer physically present with us: we can sorely miss them. So, perhaps we can share a few thoughts on why we have this special season and how it can help us in our everyday life and to encourage us to growth in faith.

There are many layers, both emotional and spiritual, to our annual remembrance of those who have died. We certainly celebrate our faith in life and in the life to come; in Jesus who is "the resurrection and the life" (John 11: 25). We can celebrate Jesus' victory over sin and death and the promise and hope of our life in heaven along with those who have gone before us. This is why St. Paul says "do not grieve as the others do" (1 Thess. 4: 13). He does not say that we should not grieve at all: that would just be ridiculous. Rather, we should not grieve as though we have no hope or faith in the life to come.

We also celebrate *life*: the lives of those who have gone before us and also our own life. This memorial season is a time when we realize both how wonderful and yet how fragile the gift of life is and how it is indeed a *gift*. God calls each one of us to use the gift of life that we have been given well: in love of God and of our neighbor, that is, to be His disciples. What happens to us in the life to come is determined by what happens in this life (as is so strongly put in Jesus' words about judgment in Matthew 25: 31-46). As one spiritual writer puts it, "our future is now". St. Ambrose writing all those centuries ago provided us with a great image when he wrote: "the Lord asks us to sacrifice present interests for the sake of eternal interests…in this way we purchase eternity with the coin of time." Another image that can be helpful is that of our Christian life as a *journey*. This journey began in our birth and then our baptism and it will be completed when our life's journey is ended. So, a fundamental question is: how well did we journey…?

This time of the year can be a real encouragement for us to discern what God is asking of us and so bravely to live our lives in His service to our families, our friends, our church and school community and to those in need. We can be inspired and guided by the saints and by all those special people we have known who have gone before us: family, friends, guides and mentors.

Fr. Anthony

Mass INTENTIONS

Monday – October 31—Weekday
6:30 AM *Rose Oleyourryk by Clara*
9:00 AM *Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption*
5:30 PM *Jozef Chilinski by Maria Chilinski*

Tuesday – November 1—All Saints
6:30 AM *Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption*
9:00 AM *John McGraw by Terri McGraw*
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish
12 Noon *Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption*
5:30 PM *Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption*
7:00 PM *Chickie Sorrentino & the Sorrentino Family by Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Serino*
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish

Wednesday – November 2—The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
6:30 AM *Marion Kardas by Mary Ann*
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish
9:00 AM *Parish Intention*
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish
9:00 AM *Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption*

Thursday – November 3—St. Martin de Porres
6:30 AM *Communion Svc at Our Lady of the Assumption*
9:00 AM *Gene Kendrick (50th Wedding Anniv) by Judy*
Daniel McAlonie by Anne & Andrew Blanchard
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish

Friday – November 4—St. Charles Borromeo
6:30 AM *Communion Service*
9:00 AM *Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption*

Saturday – November 5—Weekday
4:30 PM *Bea Vinciguerra by Sharon Burgess*
Rose Oleyourryk by Armand & Barbara Guerin
Gladys & Norman Swanson by Cathy
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish

Sunday – 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30 AM *Teresa & Vincenzo Popolizio by Clara*
Sr. Barbara Maria by Barbara & Donald Lebentritt
Marion Kardas by Children
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish
9:00 AM *Frederick Howell by Wayne & Cathy Halayko*
Eli Robert by Betsy & Don Reutemann
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish
11:30 AM *Deceased Members of the Rayball Family by Rayball Family*
Charles J. Doyle, Jr. by Cathy & Pat
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish
5:30 PM *Life Teen – People of St. Ambrose*
Holy Souls by Members of St. Ambrose Parish

LATHAM WOMEN'S CLUB

To benefit
St. Ambrose Food Pantry
November 5th & 6th
after All masses
Please stop by and take home a treat!

THANKSGIVING BAG PROJECT

We will be giving supplies for Thanksgiving dinner again this year. Beginning this weekend, there will be bags displayed on the altar. In the bag you will find a food list and instructions as to what you are to do. Please consider taking part in this Thanksgiving endeavor as we remember those who are less fortunate than us. PRICE CHOPPER & HANNAFORD GIFT CARDS IN AMOUNTS OF **$5, $10 & $20** FOR PURCHASE OF A TURKEY WOULD BE MOST APPRECIATED.

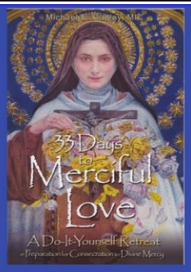
Thank You and God Bless You!!!

THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR THOSE IN NEED

There will be **sign-up sheets** at the main entrance of the Church for volunteers who would like to help with our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner. This year's dinner will take place on **Saturday, November 19th at 12:30 PM**. Many volunteers are needed to cook turkeys, bake desserts, set up, prepare food, serve, clean up and drive guests to the dinner and back. If you would like to help with this event please sign up on the sheets at the entrance of the Church. If you would like more information or have questions please call Rose Anne Szwedo at 469-5367 or Fran Fiegler at 785-8763.

Donations to purchase food and supplies for the dinner would be graciously accepted. Envelopes are at the entrances of the Church. **Checks may be made payable to *St. Ambrose Ministry for the Needy*.**

If you know of someone who lives alone, or a single parent having a difficult time making ends meet for their family, or families that are struggling financially to provide the necessities, please invite them to come to the Thanksgiving dinner as our guest. Guests need to sign up at the parish office by Monday, November 13th.
There will be **NO TAKE-OUT dinners.



Let's Consecrate Ourselves to Divine Mercy!
Bishop Scharfenberger invites you and the entire Diocese to experience mercy like never before, by our Diocese's Consecration to Divine Mercy. To complete the Jubilee Year of Mercy, we can join him in a 33-day preparation period, beginning October 11, and culminating with Consecration to Divine Mercy at the Cathedral, Sunday, November 13, at 5 p.m. or on your own. We will use the book 33 Days to Merciful Love by Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, MIC. The daily reading takes 3-5 minutes and is pondered during the day. The 33-day preparation can be done alone or in a group. You can order the book via the website: www.shopmercy.org/albany.
Please consider joining our preparation group in the lounge Tues. **Nov. 1 and 8 from 6:30-8m**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- You can obtain a copy of the book at our office during regular hours.
- We are asking for $5 donation for the book. If you can't afford that, don't worry. If you'd like to donate for someone else, please let us know.
- If you could, please enroll by contacting Carol Blanchard at 785-5299 or cblanch6@gmail.com. She can also give you more info.
- The Consecration can be done individually or in one of the groups meeting the parish. We'd love it if you checked out one the groups but understand if you can't.

Gay and Catholic

IS THERE A PLACE IN THE CHURCH FOR ME?
Speaker: Author and blogger Eve Tushnet
Tuesday, November 15th 2016
7pm in the Parish Center

St. Ambrose welcomes author, blogger, and speaker Eve Tushnet to share her story with our community and to offer us a positive vision of gay Catholics in the Church.

We'd like to welcome everyone to attend. We hope that this can be a great opportunity for individuals and families to reflect and begin a positive conversation that helps our LGBTQ friends, family members, and neighbors in the community to better find their home in Christ's Church.

For more info, please contact Tom at 518-785-1351 x307 or at "EvangelizationAndCatechesis@stambroselatham.com"

About the book "Gay and Catholic":

In this first book from an openly lesbian and celibate Catholic, widely published writer and blogger Eve Tushnet recounts her spiritual and intellectual journey from atheism to faithful Catholicism and shows how gay Catholics can love and be loved while adhering to Church teaching.

About Eve:

Eve Tushnet lives in Washington, DC, where she was raised somewhere between atheism and Reform Judaism. She cofounded her high school's gay/straight alliance and entered the Catholic Church in 1998, during her sophomore year at Yale University. She is a freelance writer and a recovering alcoholic. In 2010, she was profiled in the *New York Times* "Beliefs" column.

Tushnet blogs regularly at *The American Conservative* and *Patheos*. Her work has been published by the *Atlantic, Weekly Standard, Commonweal*, and *First Things*, and she has written for the *Washington Post* "On Faith" blog and the *New York Times* "Room for Debate." She has spoken on being gay and Catholic at Carnegie-Mellon University, Georgetown University, Princeton University, Fordham, among others. She has also addressed a group of campus ministers in the Diocese of Pittsburgh and spoken with Interfaith Voices, a syndicated public radio show. Tushnet contributed an essay on gay Catholic life to the 2008 anthology *Faith at the Edge*, and has essays forthcoming in books from Fordham University Press and Notre Dame University Press.

Do you have any home recipes that have always left people smiling?

Please send it into the Lifeteen Office and we'll try to include it. It can be for Breakfast, Lunch or Dinner and of course dessert recipes are the best! So please send us your favorite. Include a photo of the dish if you have it as well as some information on where it came from originally. We only have a few weeks to complete the book so send in your recipes today! You can mail it in, drop it off or email it to youthministry@stambroselatham.com. Thank you so much!!

St. Theresa of Calcutta said "If you can't feed one thousand people then start with just one."

Time is running out! Please get your recipes in before next weekend. The easiest way is to go online at stambroselatham.com

This weekend, members of our parish formation ministries are on retreat.

Please keep us in your prayers!

Our greatest gift to you is prayer. How can we pray for you today?

PRAYER TO KNOW ONE'S VOCATION

Lord, my God and my loving Father, you have made me to know you, to love you, to serve you, and thereby to find and to fulfill my deepest longings. I know that you are in all things, and that every path can lead me to you.

But of them all, there is one especially by which you want me to come to you. Since I will do what you want of me, I pray you, send your Holy Spirit to me: into my mind, to show me what you want of me; into my heart, to give me the determination to do it, and to do it with all my love, with all my mind, and with all of my strength right to the end. Jesus, I trust in you. Amen

At St. Ambrose School, we are "Learning to be all God wants us to be."

Thank you!!!

Many thanks to all who supported our Wine Tasting event last Saturday evening.

A very special thank you to our amazingly knowledgeable sommelier Fr. Anthony and Mark Trudeau for preparing his fabulous food pairings.

The community's support of this fundraiser is so greatly appreciated as it helps to enhance the learning experience for all of our students.

CHEERS!

NURSES' NOTES...
NANCY ACEMOGLU, RN

In Memory

ALL SOULS AND THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

During the month of November, we traditionally pray for our family and friends who have died. We have some special "All Souls" memorial envelopes available. **There will be two Masses offered (6:30am & 9:00am)** for all those named on **2nd November (All Soul's Day)** and each day during the month of November. Please use the space on the back of the envelope to write down the names of those you wish to be remembered and then place the envelopes with any offering you wish to make in the collection basket as it comes around at the weekend Masses, or leave the envelopes at the Parish Office or in the Sacristy. Please make sure that the envelopes are returned as soon as possible so that the names can be included in the Mass intentions. The envelopes will be placed at the altar during the month of November and those named on the back of the envelope are prayed for during Mass. There will also be a Book of Remembrance for you to write down the names of loved ones who have died.

A special thank you to all involved with the Beginning Experience-Grief Loss Ministry of New York and Hudson Valley held at the wonderful Dominican Retreat Center. It was a full house and those attended were blessed with grace.

There will be another retreat in the Spring with information to follow.

It's been a very eventful week. We appreciate Pharmacist Kathy Fama and staff for your presence at St. Ambrose administering flu and pneumonia vaccines. Thank you for all who came, and for those who helped. It is very important to be prepared for the Flu Season.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Ambrose Parish, Latham, New York believe that, through our faith and baptism, we have been called to give witness to the values of Jesus as expressed in the gospel and teachings of our Church. As individuals and as a Parish Family we strive to:

Develop our spiritual life, Spread the Gospel message,
Respect the human dignity and rights of all persons
Support family life: the role of married couples, singles, youth and children
Share our time, energy, talent and resources

Strengthened by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to make choices and decisions that will reflect and give evidence of what we say we believe and value as a Catholic Christian Faith Community.

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:00 PM or any time by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations! So that proper preparation may be made, please make an appointment with Fr. Anthony at least six months before the desired date. Either the bride or groom should be a registered parishioner of St. Ambrose parish.

BAPTISM

Congratulations! If you wish to arrange preparation for baptism, please call the Parish Office. Parents should be registered members of St. Ambrose parish.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
For those inquiring about the Catholic Faith. Welcome!
Please contact the Parish Office for program details.

VOCATION

If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, please contact Fr. Anthony.

PARISHES OF OUR LOCAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES

COLONIE		
St. Clare's	456-3112	Sat: 4:00pm/Sun: 8:30 / 10:30am
LATHAM		
Our Lady of the Assumption	785-0234	Sat: 4:30pm Sun: 7:30am, 9:00am St. Joseph Prov. House 10:30am
LOUDONVILLE		
Christ Our Light	459-6635	Sat: 4:00pm/Sun: 9:00 / 11:15am
St. Pius X	462-1336	Sat: 5pm/Sun: 8, 10 & 12 noon

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION/UPDATE REQUEST

Name: _____
Street: _____
City: _____
Zip: _____
Phone No: _____

Please Check

- ❑ New Registration
- ❑ Change of Address
- ❑ Moving out of Parish
- ❑ Want Envelopes
- ❑ Name Change (Please contact Parish Secretary)

Please cut out and drop it in the Collection Basket or mail to the Parish Office.

THE EVANGELIST SUBSCRIPTION

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **State:** _____
Zip: _____
Phone No: _____
Please check:

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"SPIRITUAL RESILIENCE AND THE ILL OR AGING PERSON"

On **Saturday, November 5, 2016**, a free presentation entitled **"Spiritual Resilience and the Ill or Aging Person"** will be held from 9:30 am to 11:00 am at the Pastoral Center, 40 N. Main Ave., Albany **AND** will be broadcast to the following videoconferencing sites for viewing:

- Our Lady of Annunciation/Queensbury
- St. Edward's/Clifton Park
- St. Francis de Sales/Herkimer
- St. Henry's/Averill Park;
- St. Mary's/Oneonta
- St. Patrick's/Catskill

For a registration form or additional information, please go to "Events" at **www.albanypastoralcareministry.org** or email Maria Schollenberger at **Maria.Schollenberger@rcda.org** or call her in Pastoral Care Ministry at **(518) 641-6818**.

All faith traditions welcome.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES' HOPE FOR THE HOMELESS

Join the staff and supporters of the Catholic Charities Housing Office for the annual Hope for the Homeless breakfast on November 3rd at the Century House in Latham. Buffet begins at 7:30 am and the event will feature speakers who benefitted from Catholic Charities' housing services. Find out how Catholic Charities changes lives and support these vital programs.
Tickets are $75 and can be purchased by calling 518-459-0183.

Are you struggling with your emotions, a loss, an addiction, a relationship or family issues?
COUNSELING is available in the evenings at St. Ambrose.
A $25 donation is appreciated.
Contact Dave Dobkowski, Ph.D. at 859-4015 to make an appointment.

A MOTHER & DAUGHTER RETREAT

Please join **Perpetual Life Care and Gianna Center of Albany** for THE GIFT: A MOTHER & DAUGHTER RETREAT. **November 19 from 9:30-1:30**. A lunch will be provided. $10 per person. St. Clement's Church, Saratoga.

Join us for a special retreat for women ages 12 and older. Learn how beautifully God designed women. Learn science to help identify patterns for your wellness. Learn Biblical truths to protect your gift. Individual, age appropriate presentations for ages 12-14 and 14 and up.

For information, please contact **thegiftmdr@gmail.com**

Do you love Christian music?

We are blessed to have the following concerts taking place in our area:

November 14
Lake George Forum
Big Daddy Weave, Plumb and We Are Messengers

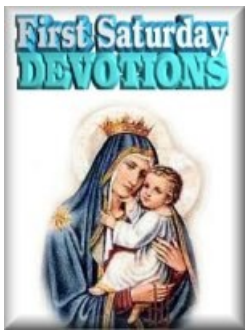
March 16, 2017 at 6:30 PM
TobyMac Hits Deep Tour
Times Union Center
TobyMac, Matt Maher, Mandisa, Mac Powell, Hollyn, Ryan Stevenson, Capital Kings

Happening This Week

CALENDARS & SCHEDULES

Sunday – October 30
10:15-11:15 AM Faith Formation
11:30 AM **"Memorial Mass"**-Church
After 5:30 Mass Life Teen Meeting-Parish Ctr
Monday – October 31
7:00 PM Core-Chapel
Tuesday – November 1
9:00 AM School Mass-Church
6:30-8:00 PM **33 Days of Merciful Love**-Lounge
Wednesday – November 2

Thursday – November 3
9:30 AM Mary's Circle of Love-Parish Ctr
6:00-8:30 PM AA, ALANON, ALATEEN-Meeting Rms
7:00-9:00 PM Prayer Group-Chapel
Friday – November 4
6 AM-Midnight Eucharistic Adoration-Chapel
Saturday – November 5
BAKE SALE AFTER 4:30 MASS-PARISH CTR
3:00-4:00 PM Confessions-Chapel
Sunday – November 6
BAKE SALE AFTER ALL MASSES-PARISH CTR
8-12 Noon Parish Family Breakfast-Parish Ctr
10:15-11:15 AM Faith Formation
After 5:30 Mass Life Teen XLT/Adoration/ Reconciliation-Parish Ctr



First Saturday devotions will be at 10:00 am on Saturday, November 5th. Please feel free to join us in the Chapel.

A Women's Magnificat Breakfast

Saturday, November 12th from 9 AM — 12 PM
at The Vista Restaurant at Van Patten Golf Club,
924 Main St., Clifton Park, NY.

Tickets: $20; Clergy & Religious—Free. Guest Speaker is **Patty Gutch**. Register by November 7—send a check for $20 payable to ***Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat***, PO Box 340, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Please include your name, address and phone # and email address. Questions, call Heather @ 877-8358.

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 6, 2016

MONEY COUNTERS, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH
TEAM #8 — LAWRENCE GIRARD, SUSAN O'BRIEN, SANDRA TRZCINSKI, & DAVID PIUSIENSKI
MONEY COUNTERS, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH
TEAM #2—JAN, MIKE & PAT RAYBALL

4:30PM	7:30AM	9:00AM	11:30AM	5:30PM
SACRISTAN: Hal O'Brien	**SACRISTAN:** Bob Lamiano	**SACRISTAN:** Donna Sabatino	**SACRISTAN:** Pat Rayball	**SACRISTAN:** Volunteer
LECTORS: #1-Joseph Hogan #2-Diana Spenard	**LECTORS:** #1-Patty Lincoln #2-Elizabeth Mahoney	**LECTORS:** #1-Marion Rosenthal #2-Carol Blanchard	**LECTORS:** #1-Mary Anne Egan #2-Patricia Frank	**LECTORS:** Volunteers
ALTAR SERVERS: Rachel Dwyer, Michael & Michele Commerford	**ALTAR SERVERS:** Dan Buser	**ALTAR SERVERS:** Evan Turcotte Jacob Frank	**ALTAR SERVERS:** Michelle Quiachon	**ALTAR SERVERS:** Volunteers
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USHERS: D. Mason, J. Minnick, J. Couch, Volunteer	**USHERS:** P. Szwedo, R. Haggerty, V & M DesChamps	**USHERS:** T. Maleski, J. Grady, F. Fraser, Volunteer	**USHERS:** D. Fuda, K. Cavanaugh, E. Fitzgerald, R. Selkis	**USHERS:** Volunteers
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Volunteer — SACRISTAN MINISTRY

Like altar serving, being a Sacristan is a very beneficial way to help out your church community, and an active way to participate in Mass. Sacristans perform the following duties:

- Setting up the church before Mass. Typically, sacristans arrive at church half hour before anyone else. They light the candles, arrange the books, ready the linens and basically perform a little simple organizing before Mass begins.
- Prepare the Holy Eucharist for the celebration of the Mass. This includes readying the wine, water and bread and putting them in place for the start of Mass.
- Coordinate all Mass participants, make sure Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers are ready.
- Cleaning the holy materials after Mass in the sacristy.
- Before the sacristan leaves the church everything is set back in its place and secured.

Decide if this is something you think you can do. Setting the table of the Lord is a ministry that is essential for the Mass. We are in need of sacristans for all Masses. Our schedules are flexible so after training you can let us know what Mass works for you. Our schedule is posted ahead several months at a time for your convenience. ***Please contact the Sacristan Coordinator Pat Rayball 708-9615 for more information***.