

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 12, 2023

FROM OUR PRIESTS' DESKS:

Dear brothers and sisters of Sacred Heart,

The Wisdom of Death. I had a professor in college who had a human skull on his desk with a candle beside it. Amidst the piles of paper, books, and scribbled notes, he had a small prayer book in front of the human skull. I do not remember how we got into the conversation about the human skull, I just remembered that he told me, that every day, for a few minutes, he would lock his door, light the candle, and **pray this novena of prayers for a holy death.** He said it helps him to prepare for his own death, to order his life accordingly: to love God above all things, then to love his neighbor, and that the rest is vanity.

Surely, in this month of November, the month of the Saints and the Poor Souls, let us continue to pray for those who have gone before us, **“especially those most in need of thy mercy oh Lord.”** By asking the intercession of the Saints and praying for the Poor Souls, we also remind ourselves that we have to prepare for our own encounter with death, as St. Paul said:

Letter to the Thessalonians 4.13-...

**We do not want you to be unaware brothers & sisters
about those who have fallen asleep
so that you may not grieve like the rest,
who have no hope.
For if we believe that Jesus died & rose
so too will God, through Jesus,
bring with Him those who have fallen asleep.**

Let us then rouse ourselves with living hope in the promise of the resurrection, may death teach us to prepare our soul and to order our lives in **loving God and loving our neighbor, living and deceased.**
Amen.

Fr. Eric Crelencia, OAR

Fr. John Gruben, OAR

Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR, Pastor



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

I will remember you upon my couch, and through the night-watches I will meditate on you: you are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY THANKSGIVING BASKETS

We are asking for donations of turkeys and trimmings for Thanksgiving Baskets.

We will have drive in donations of food on the following dates:

Sunday, November 12th – 12:30pm to 3:00pm

Saturday, November 18th – 10:00am to 1:00pm

The baskets will be distributed on Monday, **November 20 from 10am until 12:00pm** in the parking lot (drive through). Please contribute if possible. This is St. Vincent DePaul Society's Annual Thanksgiving event to help the needy in our midst and this year with the help and support of the Suffern Community Foundation. Thank you for your help!

CHRISTMAS PARADE

WITH THE
VILLAGE OF SUFFERN
DECEMBER 2 AT 6:30PM

Once again, this year Sacred Heart will be a part of the parade with 2 floats. Our first float will honor the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus! The reason for the season and so much more! The second Float will continue the theme but will also honor the beautiful decorations of the season. We are looking for Volunteers to get the floats up and making them beautiful. If you would like to help and or if you would like to march with the Sacred Heart Floats, please know you are welcome and give us a call at the rectory office at 845-357-0035 to let us know you would like to join us whether helping or marching.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

November 5 Collection- \$12,768.

Last Year's-\$10,519.

All Saints –\$3,123.

All Souls - \$1,409.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 12

Ultreya, 9am at Tagaste Monastery

Monday, November 13

Rel. Ed. Grade 6 – 4:30pm to 6pm

Grupo Carismático -7pm cafeteria

Tuesday, November 14

Rel Ed. Grades 3-5 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. Grade 8 – 7pm

Wednesday, November 15

Grupo Bíblico - 8pm in the cafeteria

Immaculate. Heart Group- 7:30pm

Thursday, November 16

Our Lady's Guild – 7:00pm gym

Friday, November 17

Saturday, November 18

7:30am - St. Joseph's men's group- Rectory pre-k

Religious Ed. Grades 1 & 2



THE GIVING TREE

WILL BE HERE SOON

Trees and Tags will be available

November 26th

In the back of the Church

The Giving Tree is an Advent fixture here at Sacred Heart and many other parishes. This effort highlights the generosity of our parishioners towards those who can use some help. Please take one (or more) of the *ornaments* (Tags) and give them a gift from your heart. Your thoughtfulness will bring great joy to our brothers and sisters in Christ. The Giving Tree donations go to Good Counsel Homes, Sister of Life Homes, The Willows and the Seminarians, needy and homeless in need in our community. Please look for the Giving Tree set up in the back of the Church beginning Sunday, November 26th. **Gifts are due by Sunday, December 10th.** P.S. We are putting the tree out a week early.

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT FUNDRAISER



Each donation of \$25 dollars or more will be honored with a family ornament displayed on the property. The ornament will be on display beginning on Sunday, November 26, 2023, **and stay up for the Christmas Season.**



SACRED HEART CHURCH

\$10,000.00 RAFFLE

OUR BIGGEST MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!

TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)

TO DATE WE HAVE ONLY SOLD 83 TICKETS.

THIS IS OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!

Available at the Rectory

Monday to Friday - 9am to 5pm

1ST PRIZE - \$10,000.00

2ND PRIZE - \$1,000.00

3RD PRIZE - \$500.00

Winning tickets will be drawn at 2:00pm in the school gymnasium on Sunday, November 26th.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PRAYER TEAM

at Sacred Heart

The prayer team invites everyone to prayer every first Saturday at 4pm. The team will lead us in prayer. In both times of trial and times of joy joining in prayer together is so important. All parishioners are welcome to pray to our Lord. Confessions will also be available from 4pm to 5pm. The team also meets every Wednesday at 7:30pm in the gym/church.

OUR LADY'S GUILD

The next meeting of Our Lady's Guild of Sacred Heart will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at 7:00 pm in the gym. There will be a chair yoga class so dress comfortably. We will be collecting food to be distributed in the Thanksgiving baskets by the St. Vincent de Paul volunteers. All the women of the parish are welcome.

SISTERS OF LIFE



Providing Life-affirming choices for women: If you know someone who is struggling, please urge them to contact:

www.visitationcenterus.org or call (877)777-1277.

Have you suffered an abortion? Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org. For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following children who were recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

KIMBERLY ARACELI BATEN BAR

Child of Jorge and Maria

ANTHONY JOHN PELLEGRINO

Child of Joseph and Michelle



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Emil Boss, Joe Bauer, Baby Braven Ryan, Elantoniette Camagong, Ronald Carlucci, Siobhan Casey, Angie Clifford, Joseph Collins Jr., Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Fr. Frank Cregan, Laudelina Crowley, Janet Curcione, Joe Davey, Carol Deery, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Marge Diebner, Karen DeJoie, Mary Discini, Joseph Duarte, John Duffy, Ginny & Sonny Figula, William Figundio, Stefanie Gaudelli, John Genardi, Teddy Girvan, Joseph Gilson, Debra Gravina, Spiros Grmmenos, Gail Griggs, Mary Guarnieri, Senan Halpin, Clement & Maureen Hayes, Catherine Howard, John Hughes, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Yvonne Cangone Ingui, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Kathleen Keane, Thomas Kelly, Eileen Kennedy, Rick Konrad, Steven C. Klumpp, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Robert Liggio, Ginger Listwan, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Jacob Mendelsohn, Joyce Miller, Iraida Molina, Robert Nunes, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Nancy Overend, Leona Overend, Nolita Padilla, Joseph Payne, Shace Paljusevic, Noreen Pidgeon, Barbara Procopio, James Procopio, Louis Paturzo, Charles Picarelli, Kathleen Rafferty (Fr. Michael's sister), Danny Ranke, Della Russell, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Abdul Shakur, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Thomas Sullivan, Rose Stark, Maureen Starke, Lindsey Sterling, Shaun Stein, Patricia Steiper, Janet Tamburro, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, Yolanda Yarleque and Michael Zavoski Jr.

ALTAR MEMORIALS NOVEMBER 12, 2023

Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of

WILLIAM CURTIN

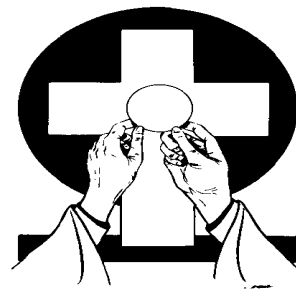


Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones, especially:

**MARGARET GALLO
JOSEPHINE MARY ARAGON**

BOOSTER CLUB

WEEK 22- CATHERINE HOWARD



ALL MASSES ARE IN THE GYM SCHEDULE OF MASSES

7AM & 9:00AM DAILY – (MONDAY – FRIDAY)
SATURDAY – 9AM
SATURDAY VIGILS – 5:30PM AND 7:15PM (S)
SUNDAYS
8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:30AM 4:00PM (S) AND
5:30PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

9:00am – † James David Toner

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

5:30pm – **Vigil Mass** – † Louis Diamond

7:15pm – **Vigil Mass** – † Luigui Espinoza Falcon

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

8:30am – † Michael Flynn

10:00am – † Deceased Members of the
Knights of Columbus

11:30am – † Agnes & Harold Gravius

4:00pm – † Ana Peralta & Segundo Siguenia

5:30pm – † All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

7:00am – Special Intention Alan Petukh

9:00am – † Gerald Peden

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

7:00am – **Special Intention** Philip Przybyszewski

9:00am – † Jennie & Robert Puzifferro

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

7:00am – † Pelissier Dure

9:00am – † Dianne Messina

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

7:00am – Special Intentions Matthew Leon

9:00am – † Peter Veraldo

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

7:00am – Special Intentions Matthew Leon

9:00am – † Gerald "Jerry" Peden

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

9:00am – † Joan Brady

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

5:30pm – **Vigil Mass** – † Patricia & Louis Diamond

7:15pm – **Vigil Mass** – † Arsecio Segundo Lopez
& Trinidad Siguenia

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

8:30am – † Bernard & Bonnie Wysocki

10:00am – † Mary Miranda

11:30am – † Aurelio & Caterina Licata

4:00pm – † Rosa Arias Y Rogelio Siguenia

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial