

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

November 20, 2016



"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
Luke 23:42b

ANNOUNCED MASSES

If you wish to bring up the gifts for a Mass being said for your loved one(s), please see the Usher before Mass.

Vigil (Sunday) Mass – November 19

5:00 PM Frank, Antonina, Sal and Josie Pidala

Sunday, November 20 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:30 AM Roger W. Smith – 18th Anniversary

10:15 AM St. Joseph's – Bill Freeman

12:00 PM Rosemarie Nobile – 6th Anniversary

Monday, November 21 – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 AM Joseph Giachinta

Tuesday, November 22 – Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

8:15 AM George C. Tompkins

Wednesday, November 23 – Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro, Priest and Martyr

8:15 AM Joseph Giachinta

Thursday, November 24 – Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs; Thanksgiving Day

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Hackney, Peterson and Spencer Families

Friday, November 25 – Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

8:15 AM All the People of the Parish

Saturday, November 26 – Weekday

8:15 AM Joseph Giachinta

Vigil (Sunday) Mass – November 26

5:00 PM Joseph & Benedetta Frisenda, Santa Ferrara, Bernice DiMarco and Josie Pidala

Sunday, November 27 – First Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM Dimon & Robert Nicolosi and the Cirillo Family

10:15 AM St. Joseph's – Bill Freeman

12:00 PM Anthony Kurdziel – 1st Anniversary

MEMORIALS

The **Sanctuary Candle** this week is burning in loving memory of Deceased Members of the Rizzo and Immorlica Families donated by Teresa and Peter Hardin. The candle will burn from November 20th through November 26th.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Children Christmas Choir rehearsals are held on Mondays, November 28th through December 19th, 3:15 to 4:00 pm at Our Lady of Loretto Church.

Adult Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm in the choir loft. New members are welcome at all weekend Masses. If you would like to sing, please come to a rehearsal or call Jeffrey V. Lutz at 228-5612.

GRAYMOOR PRAYER GROUP

Increase your time in prayer. The Graymoor Prayer Group, following the Medjugorje prayer format, meets Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 pm at the Spiritual Life Building 6th floor Chapel. The prayer facilitator is Diana Roda: (845) 424-4175.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERLINE

Call in your intercessions • Marian Shrine (Divine Mercy)
Stockbridge • 800-804-3823

PLEASE PRAY

For the sick and suffering, especially

Lucy Abbatine	Wesley Ann McGovern
Lucas Boesch	Merna Mendelson
Robert Broughal	Todd Morris
The Brusco Family	Joseph Nowakowski
Kathleen Clements	Brian O'Keeffe
Carmine Comberiat	Inelda O'Keeffe
Joseph C. Etta	Neilan Pierce
Bill Flaherty	Vivian Pisanelli
Christopher Hartly	Phillip Rossignol
Joseph Hoda	Melissa Castro-Santos
Parker Jane Holloway	Miguel Santos
Elizabeth M. Hynes	Sally Singh
Geoff Lyons	Ralph Torres
Kathleen Manganello	Connie Tuomey
Mary Marion	Frank Volkmann
Paula Martino	Lidia Watrud

and for all our dearly departed, that the fighting among nations cease, that vengeance end and lasting peace begin, and for all of our prayers in our book of petitions.

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday:	Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday:	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28; Thanksgiving Day (suggested); Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday:	Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday:	Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday:	Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 13, 2016

REGULAR WEEKLY COLLECTION – \$5,327

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS ATTENDANCE

	Adults	Children	Total
Saturday, 5:00 pm	103	3	106
Sunday, 8:30 am	125	26	151
St. Joseph's Chapel Sunday, 10:15 am	46	4	50
Sunday, 12:00 pm	96	22	118
Total	370	55	425

CONGRATULATIONS

**To Our Lady of Loretto parishioner,
Cathy Sapeta**

For achieving Level I, Level II, Level III and Level IV
Catechist training



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Loretto Council #536

ANNUAL WINTER COAT DRIVE

November 5th – November 21st

Donate new or slightly worn winter coats for men,
women, and children. **COATS ONLY.**

Drop off locations: Our Lady of Loretto Church cry room,
St. Joseph's Chapel, Haldane High School and
Elementary School, Garrison School

Questions? Contact Tom Des Marais, 265-4577

PHILIPSTOWN FOOD PANTRY DELIVERY

Next Sunday • November 27th

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food and
other items, including diapers, toothbrushes, toothpaste,
soap, shampoo, cleaners and paper towels, for the
Philipstown Food Pantry the weekend of November
26th and 27th.

Please leave donations in the cry room during that
weekend. Thank you for your generosity!

Grand Knight – Paul Grandetti

To join, email our Membership Director, John Hackney:
johnhackney@hotmail.com.

Information can also be found at KofC536.com.

IN SOLIDARITY WITH OUR PRIESTS

We support our Catholic Church, families, community
and our country.

OUR LADY OF LORETTO PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

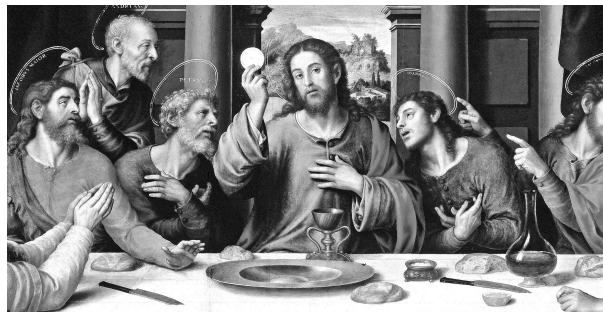
"Handing on the Faith"

845-265-3718 ★ ollfaithformation@gmail.com

**Classes will not be held this Wednesday,
Nov. 23rd due to the Thanksgiving holiday.**
Classes will resume on Wednesday, November 30th.

4TH GRADE FAMILY MASS

Sunday, December 4th • 8:30 am Mass in the Church



OUR LADY OF LORETTO CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Sunday, December 11th • 3:00 pm in the Church
Family Catechesis Event

All families are encouraged to attend.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

At Our Lady of Loretto • Every Monday • 7:00-8:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament remains as it is with
individual prayer time, but specific groups are being
identified for certain Mondays so they can come
together to focus in prayer for a specific intention...

- Nov 21 – Our faithful departed
- Nov 28 – Those in single life
- Dec 5 – The unborn and persecuted Christians
- Dec 12 – Intentions of the Blessed Mother

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR

The Children's Christmas Choir will begin practice on
Monday, November 28th from 3:15 to 4:00 pm at Our
Lady of Loretto Church. The choir will practice every
Monday until Christmas and will sing at the 4:00 pm
Christmas Eve Mass. All children are invited to join –
show up at practice or call Jeffrey V. Lutz at
845-228-5612.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Thursday, November 24th • 9:00 am
At Our Lady of Loretto Church

(There will not be an 8:15 am Mass on this day)



THANKSGIVING DINNER

at Our Lady of Loretto

Thursday, November 24th • 12:30 pm

Once again, on Thanksgiving Day – November 24th – Thanksgiving dinner will be served in the Parish Hall at around 12:30 pm, and meals will be delivered to the homebound of the community. If you would like to attend the dinner or volunteer, call Tina Merando: 845-476-1435. To have a meal delivered to you, call the Parish Office at 265-3718 or Tina Merando, 845-476-1435. Everyone in the community is invited!

ADVENT IS COMING!

A new liturgical year begins next Sunday, November 27th. Advent – from the Latin word *adventus* which means “coming” – is the Christian Church’s season of waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus.

AN UPWARD GLANCE TO GOD

“It is necessary to have an absolutely sure intention in all our actions, so that the generous fulfillment of our daily duties may be directed toward the highest supernatural ideal. Thus, our life, apart from moments of prayer, will be a prayerful life. It is clear that the habit of giving an upward glance to God at the moment of action is a great assistance in aiding us to behave always with a pure intention and in freeing us from our natural impulses and fancies, so that retaining our self-mastery, or rather, God becoming the sole Master, all our movements become dependent upon the Holy Spirit.

We see in the Gospel that whenever our Lord was about to undertake some important step, He always paused for a moment to raise His eyes to Heaven, and only after this moment of recollection did He take up the work He had to do. ‘He lifted up His eyes to Heaven’ is a phrase that recurs with significant frequency. And doubtless, when there was no outward sign of this prayer, there was the inward offering.

The ideal is the same for us. The constant subjection of self to the guidance of the Holy Spirit is made easier from the fact of His presence in the soul, where He is asked explicitly to preside over all our doings... We shall not submit wholeheartedly to the invisible Guest unless He is kept in close proximity to us.”

Raoul Plus, S.J.

WE HAVE TO MEET PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE, POPE FRANCIS SAYS

Vatican City, November 9th, 2016 – The Catholic News Agency and EWTN News reported that Pope Francis said that in order to be more like Jesus, we must not be indifferent to others, but rather meet people where they are and show mercy to those in need, especially the sick and imprisoned. “We can all be instruments of the mercy of God and this will do more good for us than others because mercy passes through a gesture, a word, a visit, and this mercy is an act to restore joy and dignity to those who have lost it,” the Pope said. “Jesus did it,” he said, adding that when we do these things “we do not fall into indifference, but we become instruments of God’s mercy.” Continuing his catechesis on the corporal works of mercy, Pope Francis focused on the works of visiting the sick and the imprisoned.

During the three years of his public ministry, Jesus constantly met with people, the sick always having a special place among them, the Pope noted. “How many pages of the Gospels tell of these meetings! The lame, the blind, the lepers, the possessed, the epileptic, and countless sick of all kinds,” he said. “Jesus became close to each one of them and healed them with his presence.” Therefore, among the works of mercy, we cannot skip visiting the sick, because “with these works of mercy the Lord invites us to an act of great humanity: sharing.” “Those who are sick often feel alone,” Francis noted, saying a visit “can make people feel less lonely, and for the sick person a little bit of company is excellent medicine!” “A smile, a caress, a handshake are simple gestures, but just as important for those who feel to be left on their own.”

Visiting the imprisoned is also an important work of mercy, the Pope said, noting that this one is especially important right now when everyone wants to “point a finger” at someone and lay the blame elsewhere. “Rather, let us all be instruments of mercy, with attitudes of sharing and respect,” Francis said, recalling times when he has witnessed prisoners cry, probably for the first time, because they finally felt loved and cared for. Combined with the often inhumane conditions of prisons, “a lack of freedom is undoubtedly one of the greatest hardships for a human being,” he said, adding that a Christian must do “everything to restore their dignity.” Of course if someone is imprisoned because they broke the law then it is just for this person to serve his or her sentence, the Pope noted, “but whatever a prisoner may have done, he still remains loved by God.”

Who are we to judge the depths of his conscience, his remorse? Francis asked, explaining that too often it’s easy to wash our hands by saying that he or she was wrong. However, we can’t forget that Jesus and his apostles were also prisoners at different points, he said. Jesus was even “captured, dragged like a criminal, mocked, scourged, crowned with thorns” and crucified even though he was completely innocent, the Pope noted. He explained that whether or not we are physically free, an encounter with the mercy of Jesus is what gives us spiritual freedom and a new perspective on our personal situation. The same goes for visiting the sick and imprisoned. “When done in the name of the Lord, then it also becomes an eloquent and effective expression of mercy.”

CARDINAL PAROLIN OFFERS DONALD TRUMP PRAYERS FOR SERVING USA

Vatican Secretary of State Says World's Situation of "Laceration and Conflict" Needs a Change

November 9th, 2016 – Zenit News reported that Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Vatican Secretary of State, has offered prayers to the newly elected president of the United States of America. This morning, the Italian prelate commented on the U.S. elections which took place yesterday, in which Republican candidate Donald Trump was elected president, saying, "We give our best wishes to the new president, so that his government can be really fruitful." "We assure him of our prayers, so that the Lord may enlighten him and support him in the service of his country, and of course, also in serving the well-being and peace of the world." "I think that today," Cardinal Parolin also underscored, "there is a need for everyone to work to change the world's situation, that is one of severe laceration, and of serious conflict."

U.S. BISHOPS ENCOURAGE UNITY, PRAYER AFTER ELECTION NIGHT

Washington, D.C., November 9th, 2016 – The Catholic News Agency and EWTN News reported that bishops in the United States called on Catholics to pray for elected officials on the morning following the 2016 presidential election, and exhorted them to work for unity and to promote the common good. "Now is the moment to move toward the responsibility of governing for the common good of all citizens," Archbishop Joseph Kurtz of Louisville, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, stated Wednesday following Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump's electoral victory. "Let us not see each other in the divisive light of Democrat or Republican or any other political party, but rather, let us see the face of Christ in our neighbors, especially the suffering of those with whom we may disagree," he added.

Other bishops called for prayers for the newly-elected and re-elected officials. "We are now called to commend our new president and all other newly elected officials to God, that they may be guided by Our Lord as they prepare to take office and serve the common good of those entrusted to their care," Bishop Michael Burbidge of Arlington stated. "Congratulations to President-elect Donald Trump. May God grant you good health, wisdom and courage during your presidency," Cardinal Sean O'Malley of Boston tweeted. "Jesus Christ is sovereign King; yesterday, today, and tomorrow," Bishop James Conley of Lincoln tweeted on Wednesday.

Archbishop Kurtz reaffirmed the bishops' commitment to upholding the sanctity of all human life, welcoming "migrants and refugees," and defending religious freedom at home and abroad. Pro-life groups applauded the victory of pro-life Senate candidates and expressed their desire to work with Trump's administration to pass pro-life legislation.

In Defense of Christians, an advocacy group for persecuted Christian minorities in the Middle East and North Africa, congratulated Trump on his victory and asked that he "make the plight of religious minorities in the Middle East a foreign policy priority for the United States."

POPE FRANCIS: THE CHURCH'S MERCY IS FOR EVERYONE

Vatican City, November 12th, 2016 – The Catholic News Agency and EWTN News reported that Pope Francis spoke to pilgrims about how the mercy of God is for everyone, and how through the Church, we are all called to embrace and include everyone in the Body of Christ. "The Gospel calls us to recognize in the history of humanity the design of a great work of inclusion, which fully respects the freedom of every person, every community, every people," the Pope said. And "calls everyone to form a family of brothers and sisters, in justice, solidarity and peace, and to be part of the Church, which is the body of Christ." At the audience, the Pope's catechesis centered on the "universal invitation" found in the words of Jesus in St. Matthew's Gospel: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."

"No one is excluded from this call," he said, "because the mission of Jesus is to reveal to everyone the Father's love." It is "up to us to open our hearts, trust in Jesus and accept this message of love, which makes us enter into the mystery of salvation." Reflecting on the Body of Christ as it is depicted on the crucifix, the Pope noted how Christ's arms are "outstretched on the cross" showing that "no one is excluded from his love and his mercy." "How true are the words of Jesus who invites those who are tired and weary to come to Him to find rest!" he said. How many weary and oppressed people we meet every day, in our neighborhood, at our school, at the doctor's office, Francis continued. It is through our eyes that the gaze of Jesus "rests on each one of those faces."

NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

De Profundis

For the Holy Souls

The *De Profundis* takes its name from the first two words of the psalm in Latin. It is a penitential psalm that is sung as part of vespers (evening prayer) and in commemoration of the dead. Every time you recite the *De Profundis*, you can receive a partial indulgence (the remission of a portion of punishment for sin), which can be applied to the souls in Purgatory.

De Profundis (Psalm 130)

Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice. Let Your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication.

If You, O Lord, mark iniquities, Lord, who can stand? But with You is forgiveness, that You may be revered.

I trust in the Lord; my soul trusts in His word. My soul waits for the Lord more than sentinels wait for the dawn.

More than sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the Lord, for with the Lord is kindness and with Him is plenteous redemption; and He will redeem Israel from all their iniquities.