



**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**November 4, 2018**

**Masses for the Week**

Saturday	All Souls	5:00pm
Sunday	People of the Parish	8:00am
Sunday	Helen Norton	10:00am
Monday	All Souls	5:30pm
Tuesday	All Souls	8:00am
Wednesday	All Souls	5:30pm
Thursday	Mario Occhi	8:00am
Friday	<i>Dedication of Lateran Basilica</i>	5:30pm
Saturday	Ken Gottstine	
	Joseph LaFera	5:00pm

**Please Pray for Our Sick**

Fanny Bonventre, Herb Cahill, Lorraine DeFelicis Billye Doria, Sr. Maureen Jerkowski, Fred Kimlin, Maureen Krom, Lynne Lazzaro, Mary McNamara, Frank Merrill, Tony Peralta, Joe & Virginia Petras, Betty Schilt, Alice Theiss, Thomas Vavrinec, Irene Waddell, Luisa Walsh, Amelia Zak

**Please Pray for Our Deceased**  
Frank Cahill & Dennis McCarthy

**Tithing \$3,845.00**

**Novena in Honor of St. Peregrine**

We will be having a special novena in November in honor of St. Peregrine, the patron of people who suffer from cancer. The novena begins at the weekend Masses November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> and continues for nine days concluding on Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> with a blessing with a relic of St. Peregrine. It is not necessary to attend all the Masses. We will provide prayer cards so you can follow at home.

**Dominican College Info Session**  
**Wednesday, November 7th**

5:30- 7:30pm

Prusmack Center

3 Campus Drive, Blauvelt, NY

This session is for anyone interested in Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees, including online programs. This is an opportunity to meet faculty, admission counselors and receive information on financial aid, grants and scholarships.

**Parish Mission**

**If You Knew the Gift of God...**

**Ricardo Pineda, CPM**

**St. Mary & St. Andrew, Ellenville, NY**

**November 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Mission Schedule**

5:30-6:30pm Confessions

6:45pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

7:00-8:00pm Mission Hour with Exposition

Topics include: Baptism, Power to Become Children of God; The Church, That All Might be One, Confession, Unconditional Love and Healing; The Eucharist, Heaven on Earth and Mary, Mother of God

**Thanksgiving**

**Baskets**



We ask your

generosity for our Thanksgiving baskets for the needy. In your shopping, look for canned, boxed or jarred items. Also, cash to buy turkeys will be welcomed. Food donations may be left in the rear of the church and cash donations may be put in an envelope with "Turkey" on it, and dropped in the collection basket.

Please no expired food items. Thank you

**Raffle News**

The winner of our last "early bird" drawing was Matt Silverman. We thank him for his support. Our big winners will be announced next week.

**Month of Remembrance** This month we commence celebrating a time of remembrance of those who have gone before. What a perfect way to remember a loved one with a Mass intention.

**Operation Christmas Child**

Since 1970, Samaritan's Purse has helped meet the needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine with the purpose of sharing God's love through His Son, Jesus Christ. Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' Name through the power of a simple gift.

**Samaritan's Purse**  
**Shoe Box Packing Party**



Friday November 9<sup>th</sup>

Packing Party 6:15pm Mulry Hall

Join us to pack the shoe boxes, for shipping. The wonderful donations will be spread out on tables, so you can pick what you would like, to go into your box for that special boy or girl. It's heartwarming to see the children

get excited, along with moms, dads and grandparents too. A small shoebox can have a big impact. Thanks for your generosity. Come join in the fun.

### **Young Adult Hike at Arden Point**

Sponsored by: Catholic HV, Catholic Rock West, & Catholic NYC

Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> 2:00PM-5:00PM  
Arden Point

12 Country Lane, Garrison, NY

Join the Office of Young Adult Outreach for an afternoon hike at Arden Point and Glenclyffe. This is a great hike because of it's beautiful views and it is extremely easy to get to from the train station!

We'll be meeting at the train station in Garrison at 2 p.m. and walking to the trailhead from there.

Please bring water, a snack (if desired), and warm clothes!

For more info/RSVP:  
Chase.Crouse@archny.org or Facebook

### **5 Ways to Improve Your Prayer Life**

How much time and energy is exerted in obtaining a degree from some prestigious University? How much blood, sweat and tears are expended to win a trophy from some sporting event? How much time and energy can even be consumed in preparing for a surprise Birthday party? If we can expend so much time, money, emotional and physical energy for such natural pursuits, should we not at least expend more of our time and energy in what is the greatest of all arts, "The art of all arts" and that is learning the Practice of Prayer?



St. Alphonsus Liguori, Doctor of the Church, calls prayer the key to salvation and following are five short, clear and concrete steps we can undertake to improve our personal prayer life, grow in holiness, be a source of holiness to many others and experience a nearly constant peace and overflowing joy!

**1. Conviction.** First, we must be convinced of the importance of prayer in our life and for our eternal salvation. St. Alphonsus expresses it concisely: "He who prays will be saved; he who does not pray will be damned." St. John Damascene defines prayer: "Lifting of the mind and heart to God." St. Augustine has a catchy way of expressing the indispensable character of prayer: "He who prays well lives well; he who lives well dies well; and for he who dies well, all is well." A final easy analogy: as air is to the lungs, so must prayer be to our soul. No air for the lungs, death arrives quickly. Likewise, the prayer-less person can easily fall prey to temptation and fall into mortal sin and lose out on God's Friendship

**2. Confession.** If we are not at peace with God, if our conscience is reproaching us, if we have unforgiven and unconfessed sins we will find that talking face to face with God as friends will be all the more difficult. If we hurt our friend, we apologize, seek forgiveness, and then return to amicable relations.

**3. Set a time and a place to pray.** Man is a creature of habit. We do certain things every day at the same time and place. Of capital importance should be to form the habit of prayer. This habit will result in our salvation and possibly the salvation of many others. We can pray at any time and any place and in any circumstance. However, there are "Prime times" that we should pray. Morning prayer upon arising from sleep, grace before meals, before going on a trip, the family Rosary in the evening before dinner, and night prayers—these are traditional times for prayer.

**4. Mass and Holy Communion.** By far the greatest prayer in the world is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Sunday Mass is obligatory, under pain of mortal sin. However, if we are truly in love with God, we should not aim for the minimum but rather the maximum! The greatest action and gesture under the heavens that will lead us to eternal life in heaven is to assist at Holy Mass and receive Holy Communion fervently, humbly, and with great confidence. The angels in heaven experience a holy envy towards us because even the greatest of angels cannot receive Jesus in Holy Communion. How privileged we really are!

**5. Seek Our Lady of the Rosary.** Our Lady of Fatima appeared in 1917 from May to October. In every one of the Apparitions she insisted on the praying of the Rosary. Blessed Pope John Paul II, in *Blessed Virgin Mary and the Rosary*, also insisted that we pray the Rosary and for two specific important intentions: 1) for world peace, 2) for the sake of the family. The Rosary priest, Father Patrick Peyton, coined these immortal proverbs: "The family that prays together, stays together..." And "A world at prayer is a world at peace." The family should find a time and place and pray the Rosary every day. May the father who is the spiritual head of the family initiate this practice, bring the family together, and persevere in this prayer for the salvation of his entire family. If we can implement these five concrete practices in our personal prayer life then we will bring forth fruit and fruit in abundance! May Our Lady of grace inspire us to undertake a daily growth in our prayer life.

Fr. Ed Broom

Catholic Exchange 11/1/13



### **Rosary Altar Society**

Next weekend team *two* is scheduled.  
RAS Meeting November 4<sup>th</sup> after  
10am Mass with the rosary at 9:30am.