



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 13, 2022

Masses for the Week

Saturday	Don Gessner	5:00pm
Sunday	People of Parish	8:00am
Sunday	Patsy & Aida Scelia	10:00am
Monday	Jack & Catherine O'Leary	5:30pm
Tuesday	Chickie Kilmer	8:00am
Wednesday	Dr. Marie-Louise Johnson	5:15pm
Thursday	<i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary</i> Harold Bailey	8:00am
Friday	Richard & Prudence Savino	5:30pm
Saturday	Peter & Lucy Priolo	5:00pm

Please Pray for Our Sick

Fanny Bonventre, Fr. Burke, Lorraine DeFelicis, Carol Dennin, Russ Kell, Diann Keyser, Fred Kimlin, Lynne Lazzaro, Gandiva Mohinani,, Lucy Padilla, Marie Stein, Christopher Van Aken

Please Pray for Our Deceased

Sr. Joyce Schreiner SSSF

Tithing \$6,963.70 All Saints \$950.00

Dear Parishioners, our readings this week force us to consider the end of our lives – not something we like to do. It is an important spiritual practice because it reminds us that we are here on earth for a purpose: to know and to love God.

Emperor Charles V is known to have been at the bedside of one of his advisors as he lay dying of an illness. The Emperor was deeply moved at the man's suffering, and wanted to comfort him. He said, "My friend, you have been a faithful servant all these years. Please, let me now do something for you. Ask anything of me, and I will do it." The dying man turned his weak eyes to his King, and whispered, "Sire, there is one great favor I desire." The Emperor was glad at this, and leaned forward, "Tell me," he said, "What is it?" "Give me one more day of life - just one day more!" Charles' face fell. He answered simply, "You know that I have not the power." The man smiled weakly, and said: "Yes, I know. Even the

greatest earthly king cannot give life. And now you see how foolish I have been. I served you well all these years, but I gave no thought to my Heavenly King, and now I must go to him with empty hands. Pray for me." [Adapted from, "The Catechism in Examples," by Rev. D Chisholm]

We spend our lives trying to live. It seems like an antithesis that we should spend time preparing to die. But because we have the capacity to use our intellect in such a manner, should we not cultivate the ability to stare squarely into the face of death with faith and hope in Christ?

To develop a relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ over the course of our lives is to walk with a light in the darkness and to realize that we come from God, and it is to Him that we are called to return. Saint Theresa of Calcutta called this the "long martyrdom" of the body and soul. Some are called to an actual giving of their lives as a witness to their relationship with Jesus Christ, but most of us will live a longer life struggling between virtue and sin, faithfulness and despair.

This long martyrdom of body and soul can be aided by reflecting upon the mortality of the body and the immortality of the soul. Through this practice, we can gain comfort and fortitude in times of distress and the assurance of faith that when this short life ends, a more abundant life begins.



Trunk or Treat Fun & Thanks

There were almost 10 trunks and at least 125 people. We had pumpkin, cupcake and cookie decorating along with some impromptu line dancing. The weather was great which helped with the smiling

faces. Thanks to soooo many who helped! Best car decoration went to the Sweeney family, Best costume went to Josh Kwiecenski, best pumpkin went to Leo Santos, best cookie went to Natalie Cascio, best cupcake went to Nora Hedley Thank you to everyone who attended, participated, helped, hauled, and worked. Turned out to be a blast, the children were so excited to show off their costumes, and what great imaginations they had. Until next year.....happy trunk or treat!

Keep Our Community Warm this Winter "COATS FOR FOLKS"

The Knights of Columbus (KOC) winter clothing drive is under way. A donation box is in the back of the church for donations



of new or like new winter clothes. Last year was a successful year with the items then distributed through Catholic Charities. Thank you all for your generosity.



A Big Raffle Thank You

We would like to thank the parish for coming out and supporting us in this difficult year. We were able to sell 203 tickets this year and had a profit of \$10,300.

We certainly have a wonderful parish Family! God Bless.

Congratulations to our 2022 Raffle Winners! We thank them for being loyal supporters of our parish. We are indebted to everyone who purchased a ticket or prayed for our success. Thank you all for your generosity.

\$5,000 Winner

The Sweeney Clan

\$1,000 Winners

Valerie Peischel Mull, Mary Carroll

\$500 Winners

MaryAlice Klepeis, Tom Loughlan, Jim Edwards

\$250 Winners

Barbara Craine, Dick Gelston

\$150 Winners

Jillian McGahan Kovach, Fureys, Terry Strini, Joe Jerkowski

And our Early Bird Winners: Andrew Babits, Kathy McGahan, Patty Ryan & Mary Carroll



FOOD NEEDED

Thanksgiving Baskets

Thanksgiving will be here before you know it. 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 items.

We will not be collecting for the Food Pantry during Nov. & Dec. Thank you



St. Peter's Choir is beginning rehearsals for the Christmas season. Want to join us? We need you! High School age and up, please. Music reading skills are welcome but not required. It's lots of fun, and a wonderful form of praise. We rehearse

Sundays from 11:00am - 12:00 noon, and plan on performing on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and at least one other Sunday during the season. Just stop by and speak to Patty after 10:00AM Mass, call the church office or leave a message at 845-416-0138. We start rehearsals this week - Nov. 6.

PRESENTATION ON GRACE-

On Wednesday, November 16 at 7:00 P.M. in St. Joseph's church hall (34 South Chestnut St., New Paltz), Fr. Salvatore will offer a presentation on grace, which of course is God's very life given us to out of love to lift us up and to make us more like God Himself. All are welcome!



A DISCUSSION ON SPIRITUALITY-

St. Joseph Church in New Paltz (34 South Chestnut St.) will offer a discussion on spirituality- our relationship with the Lord and how we allow that to affect every part of our lives. This will be on Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00 P.M. in the church hall and all are welcome. Come and learn from one another how to strengthen your relationship with the Lord and grow in your love of Him.

Rosary Altar Society

Team three is scheduled



SHOEBOX DEADLINE

November 13th, and to CCD, by November 16th. Thanks again, for sharing God's Love with the children!

Maria Goretti Network

November 18th 8pm Meeting Online

MGN exists to help survivors of any type of abuse (physical, sexual, mental, emotional, financial etc) find support and healing in the spirit of St. Maria Goretti. Abuse is never your fault and you are not alone. Steps to forgiveness can set you free.

Lay Catholic Apostolate www.mgoretti.org



The month of November is traditionally when we pray in a special way for our deceased loved ones and we call to mind the resurrection that is the hope for ourselves and those who have gone before us. Mass is a perfect way to remember your loved ones, as well as your own special intentions. Just call the rectory with your request at 658-3117.