

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017**

**33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00PM Agnes & Charles Rossi  
8:00AM Anton Hroncich  
10:00AM Maria Tarabocchia  
12:00PM Millie Maiorana

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

8:00AM Anna Mattessich  
11:30AM Nikola Mezo Morin

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

*PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY*

8:00AM Raymond Engels  
11:30AM Ante Cavlov

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

*ST. CECILIA*

8:00AM Anthony & Maria Hroncich  
11:30AM Maria Rici Mattessich

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

*THANKSGIVING DAY*

9:00AM Nikola Mezo Morin

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

*ST. ANDREW DUNG-LAC*

11:30AM Domenica Mattessich

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

*ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA*

11:30AM Rose Tatulli

Charlotte Dudek  
Diane Dalessandro  
Anne Frances Lepis  
Elizabeth Hansen  
Angelo Caiozzo

5:00PM Angela Garritano

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12<sup>7</sup>**

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

8:00AM Dinko & Antonia Busanich  
10:00AM Ann & Luke Jurovich  
12:00PM Dec'd Mbrs. Mosca & Romano Families

**ALTAR BREAD**

*In Memory of*  
Millie Maiorana

**ALTAR WINE**

*In Memory of*  
Mark Piccirillo

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

*In Memory of*  
Camille Missale

**MASS CANDLES**

*In Memory of*  
Ante Cavlov

**PREPARING FOR MASS**

*The readings for next Sunday are:*

**Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17**

I myself will look after and tend my sheep  
**Ps 23**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want

**1 Cor 15:20-26, 28**

Paul proclaims Christ's death, resurrection and second coming

**Mt 25:31-46**

The Son of Man will judge us on our acts of mercy

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

*Dear Parishioner:*

...And so we come to celebrate the end of November and our Thanksgiving Holiday. It's a great time to gather with friends and family and to give thanks for the many gifts that have been given to us by our Loving Father. As you sit around the table on Thanksgiving Day, take a moment to appreciate the gifts and the talents of all the people who populate your life. It might be a good time to say words of love and caring because sometimes we don't say those things enough.

...It has been a national holiday for us since the time of President Roosevelt. And as a nation, we have been called to be appreciative and recognize so many good things in our lives and to give God the praise.

...So, have a great day, enjoy the turkey and the trimmings and God bless all the families in our parish and also the people that have been supported and sustained by our Food Pantry in this time of Fall Harvest.

*God bless,*

*Fr. Ken*

**PARISH SUPPORT**

*Thank you for sharing the gift of your treasure so that we can continue to do God's work here.*

**Sunday Collection**

**November 12<sup>th</sup>**

**\$5,280.00**

**Assessment Collection**

**\$1,965.00**

*"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – Matthew 25:40*

*Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's schedule.*

**BINGO**

**PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY, THERE WILL BE NO BINGO THIS WEEK.**



**THURSDAY BINGO GAMES BEGIN AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE GAMES AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY YOURSELF AND WIN SOME MONEY AND HAVE FUN.**

**NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK**

Pope Francis has called on Christians to consult the Bible with the same frequency as they might consult their cellphones for messages. The Pope urged those present to give the Bible the same place in daily life as cellphones and asked: "What would happen if we turned back when we forget it, if we opened it more times a day, if we read the message of God contained in the Bible the way we read messages on our cellphones?" Please take the time to respond to a brief online survey on the Bible which will be open from November 12<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. It will only take a few minutes and will give the Archdiocese valuable insights for planning. You can take this survey at <https://survey.research.bible/jfe/form/SV3ecNsVFfNYLTWG9>. There will be an Archdiocesan Bible Conference on April 14, 2018 at Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark, NJ – details to follow in early 2018.

**PRAYER FOR ALL SOULS**

*Heavenly Father, in union with the merits of Jesus and Mary, I offer to You for the sake of the poor souls all the satisfactory value of my works during life, as well as all that will be done for me after death. I give You my all through the hands of the Immaculate Virgin Mary that she may set free whatever souls she pleases, according to her heavenly wisdom and mother's love for them. Receive this offering, O God, and grant me in return an increase of Your grace. Amen. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*



### SAVE THE DATE – GALA NEW YEAR’S EVE PARTY

Welcome in the New Year with your Epiphany Family. We will be having a Gala New Year’s Eve Party, Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. Party will be held from 7:30PM-12:30AM. Dinner will be catered by Romans Italian Restaurant, New Milford. Music will be by Starlight Productions - featuring D J Nick. Tickets are \$35.00 per person and available for sale at the Rectory.

### ADVENT OF GIVING

Throughout Advent our parish will be collecting brand-new toys, clothes, and Christmas gifts for our annual Advent Giving Tree Program. These donations are then distributed by the Epiphany Community Food Pantry to hundreds of local residents and families who are in need this Christmas Season. We are in need of an assortment of donations: Men’s Clothing, Women’s Clothing, Children’s Clothing, Hats, Scarves, Gloves, Household Items and Toys.

*Donations must be brand-new and in original packaging.*

#### **PLEASE DO NOT WRAP YOUR DONATIONS.**

Starting on the weekend of December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>, please bring all donations to the Advent Giving Tree (located on the left side of the altar area) or directly to the Rectory Office. **All donations must be received by December 14<sup>th</sup>.** Contact the Rectory with any questions. As always, thank you for your generosity!

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS

“When one finds a worthy wife (husband) their value is far beyond pearls (money).”- Proverbs 31:10. Although this scripture traditionally refers to wives, it works equally well for husbands. Pause for a moment and ponder the worth of your beloved.

### PARENTING POINTERS

Even with natural talent, it takes work to develop it. Help your child identify one talent this week, and one way they can improve it. Often this includes the “P” word – Practice. – Mt. 25:14-30

### CATHOLIC CRUISE EASTERN CARIBBEAN HOLIDAY

Come and sail away on a 7 Night Eastern Caribbean Holiday with Fr. John Harper from December 24<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> on Holland America’s Eurodam out of Ft. Lauderdale (Port Everglades), Florida. Ports of Call: Grand Turk Island, Turks & Caicos, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Philipsburg, St. Maarten, Half Moon City, Bahamas (Cruiseline Private Island). Prices begin at \$1578.00 for two passengers that includes all port fees and taxes. Special fares may be available. Daily Mass will be offered. Deposits of only \$350 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. To register or for further information, please contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785. You may also email [Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com](mailto:Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com)

### CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF KNOCK AND FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PATRICK

Michael Milano from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish is leading a pilgrimage to Ireland next March doing the footsteps of St. Patrick and Our Lady of Knock Shrine over St. Patrick’s Day. Cost is \$2499.00 per person including airfare from Newark. There will be breakfast and dinner daily and mass will be celebrated daily. For a flyer or more detailed information, please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

### THANKSGIVING DAY

*There will be only one Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00AM. We invite you to bring the bread, wine and desserts that you will use on that day at your table. We will then bless them at the end of the Mass. Also, there will be one Mass on Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM and the Rectory Office will be closed on that day. It will reopen on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM.*

### CHRISTMAS WREATHS

We will again be selling Christmas Wreaths. Each wreath is stunningly decorated with pine cones, ornaments and a large red bow. Wreaths are \$17.00 each. Wreaths will be ready for pick-up on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will benefit the new Rectory boiler. Wreaths must be paid in full when ordering.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Matthew Dickman, Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Anna Tarabokija, Baby Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craven, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Sister Kieran O’Riordan, Riccardo & Delia Mattessich, Frank Mendez, Maria Azucena Mercado, John Reynolds, Arianna Cappola, Barbara Biccocchi, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Tammy Ledden, Baby Kennedy Rose Perkins, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Laura Palmieri, Margarita Lopez-Amaro, Helen Gallina DeLuca, Renee Pascarella, Theodore Hoffman, George Landeck, Brother Peter Lyne, Lou Barricella, Rev. Giordano Belanich, Erika Duran, Cora Shaffer, Nicky Sertich, Sr., Bruno Matesic, Helen Steinel, Richard Scheiblich, Ivan Tarabokia, Ms. Ann, Ms. Angie, Ms. Denise, Paul Barbara, Janet Chang, Eoelyn Roquemore, Joseph Weiss.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

*Vincent Marchesani, Theresa Young Kim.*

## A Prayer for Thanksgiving Day

Most Merciful Lord, gathering for this meal of thanksgiving we offer You, as our Creator, our thanks and praise  
You who teach us to love without limit  
You who teach us to forgive without counting the cost  
You who teach us to give without seeking return.

May we honor You through our words and actions every day, every moment.  
May we worship You through our lives with others, lived in kindness and tender care.

May we fully realize what St. Faustina came to know: that in our thankfulness, true earthly joy resides that in Your love for us we find the heavenly harvest that strengthens our souls, until we reside in You forever.

Praise and glory to You, Merciful Lord, now and forever. Amen.

Happy Thanksgiving from the Congregation of Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception

**“IF YOU CAN’T FEED A HUNDRED PEOPLE, THEN FEED JUST ONE!”**

