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Weekdays: 9:00 AM (including Saturday) — (Summer)

Monday and Friday: 9:00 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 6:30AM and 9:00 AM — (Winter)

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM

Sundays: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM and 6:00PM (Sept. - May)

Holy Days: Please see bulletin for schedule

#### **PENANCE**:

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 PM. At the Parish anytime by appointment. Communal Celebration of Penance periodically throughout the year.

#### **BAPTISMS**:

Our parish family rejoices in the birth of your children. To prepare for baptism, parents are expected to attend one preparation meeting. Please call the parish office for the schedule of preparation meetings and Baptism celebration.

#### **MARRIAGES:**

Our parish is honored to host your marriage celebration. In order to accomplish all of the necessary preparations, arrangements should be made with one of the priests at least one year in advance. Pre-Cana and God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage classes can be arranged through the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark at www.rcan.org.

#### MINISTRY TO THE SICK:

For those of advanced age or seriously ill, Holy Communion will be brought to the home of any person permanently or temporarily homebound. Please contact the parish office.

#### **PARISH MEMBERSHIP:**

Please register at the parish office. This is a wise way of acquiring a sense of belonging to our Parish Community.

### from the Pastor

Today's reading from the book of Wisdom presents an image of a patient God who "rebukes offenders little by little," an image endorsed by the psalmist, singing of how the Lord is "slow to anger and of great kindness, and compassionate toward all his works." The crowd with Jesus, however, grumbles when they see Jesus's kindness and compassion extended to Zacchaeus, who was not just a tax collector, but the "chief tax collector" a title that surely emphasizes his standing as a sinner to be scorned. In the second reading, Saint Paul urges the Thessalonians to be "worthy" of God's calling, so that "the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you;" such people, unlike the crowd in the Gospel, would rejoice at Zacchaeus's determination to change his life after encountering Jesus.

Peace and stay safe. Fr. Frank

#### R.C.I.A.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you interested in the Catholic Faith? We will begin a



new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These gatherings that will

begin in September are for inquirers and are open to: People who are unbaptized; Baptized Christians from other faith backgrounds; Adults who are already baptized Catholic, but who need to prepare for Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. For further information or help in this matter please contact Christine Ferreri at christineferreri79@gmail.com or the parish office at (201) 327-5663.



Bergen Catholic will be hosting an Open House on Tuesday **November 1st** at 7:00pm. Mass will be held in the chapel at 6:00pm for All Saints Day. Registration can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For questions, please feel free to contact the admissions office at <a href="mailto:admissions@bergencatholic.org">admissions@bergencatholic.org</a>.

#### **HAPPINESS**

As a loving Father, God wants us to be happy. True happiness is "Joy and beatitude over receiving the fulfillment of our vocation as creatures: a sharing in the divine nature and the vision of God. God puts us into the world to know, love, and serve him, and so come to the happiness of paradise.

(Catechism of the Catholic Church #1720)

#### **OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:**

Our sick and homebound:

Salvatore Averso
Daniel Castillo
Dawn Conguisti
Salvatore DiTarsia
Ada Fields
Meg Gallagher
Grace Gilbert
Bill Hamilton
Bob Kleinknecht
Joan Massotti
Bob Re

Nicole Trotta

Our recently deceased who have entered Eternal Life:

Mary D. Clancy Richard C. Mawe

#### THE KNIGHTS CORNER

The next council meeting will be on Monday, November



14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. All members are encouraged to come and participate. A major agenda item will be the organization of volunteers for our annual assembly of "care packages" for U.S. Marines serving overseas, which will be held on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Did you know?</u> At the time of its founding, the Knights of Columbus demanded sobriety of its members. It was the only fraternal organization in America whose constitution did not exclude African American members, however "liquor dealers" were expressly prohibited from joining.

If you are interested in joining the St. Gabriel's Knights of Columbus, contact a current member or send us an email at <a href="mailto:knights@stgabrielsr.org">knights@stgabrielsr.org</a>.

#### OPEN HOUSE SETON HALL PREP

New Jersey's oldest catholic prep school will be hosting its annual open house for 7th and 8th grade boys and their families on Sunday, October 30 (Registration required at www.shp.org/openhouse). Visitors will tour the campus and our 44-acre Kelly Athletic Complex, our state of the art John J. Murphy '52 Science Center, learn about the application process, and have the opportunity to meet with teachers, coaches, parents and current students. For more information, please contact Michael T. Zinsimeister, Director of Admission at (973) 325-6640 or visit www.shp.org.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection for October 23 was \$10,318.88. Thank you for your continued generosity & God bless you and your families.



The following parishioners have made All Souls Mass Remembrance donations in memory of their loved ones.

#### Dr. & Mrs Gerard Makhoul

In memory of Eleanor Makhoul, Frederick Makhoul, Stephanie Makhoul, Cooper Makhoul

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In memory of Robert J. Malone, Jane M. Donohoe, Sigrid Frawley

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#### Carol D'Amico

In memory of James D'Amico

#### David M. Dickey

In memory of Helen & George Dickey, Souls in Purgatory

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In memory of Bill Jergensen, Ed & Jean Reynolds, Eileen & Bill Lynch, Jergensen Family, Bertinetti Family

#### Elizabeth Annis

In memory of Edward Fay, Grace Fy, Leighton Annis, Barbara T. Lowell, William Anton, Kevin Holdefehr, Bruce Cocks, Chris Saner, Dorothy Brower, Larry Austen

#### EFFECTIVE PRAYER IS HUMBLE, YET BOLD



Jesus said, "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you receive it and you will" (Mark 11:24). The best prayers require the boldness to ask for what we want and the humility to surrender to God's will.

Try these tips to pray with humility and boldness:

**Seek reconciliation**: The most common reason for ineffective prayer is unconfessed sin. Start with a thorough examination of conscience to see what needs confessing. Seek forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly. Ask for Grace to improve.

**Step aside**: Sometimes our prayers become lists of demands instead of conversations with our beloved father. Put the focus back on Him. Choose a Scripture verse, Biblical image, or a mystery of the Rosary, for example. Meditate on it and talk with Him about it. We learn humility by lessening the focus on ourselves.

**Give thanks**: Each day, honor God as the source of all that is good in your life. Think of four or five of your favorite blessings and thank Him for them. Doing this daily strengthens our faith in His care.

**Act in faith:** "Cast all your anxieties on him, for he cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7). Asking God for help with all your concerns - which is different from demanding - is a sign of humility and bold faith.

#### SO MANY SAINTS

In the early Church, there was a great desire to celebrate the saints and martyrs by assigning each a feast day. However, Christians had been so persecuted that there weren't enough days in the calendar for individual commemorations. Eventually Pope Gregory IV designated November 1 as All Saints Day.

#### FROM ST. THERESE OF LISEUX

"Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing."

(Story of a Soul)

#### A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of love,

Our world is wrought with war and violence, as brother turns on brother, and the innocent awake to gunfire and bombs.

May Your compassion and healing move hearts and bring a new day to Ukraine.

Fortify your children to resist aggression And instead become instruments of peace.

We ask this in the name of the One who is the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ.

Amen

## Mass Intentions

#### SATURDAY, October 29, 2022

9:00 AM Nicholas Tsilibes 5:00 PM James Johnson

#### SUNDAY, October 30, 2022

8:00 AM William A. MacDonald

10:00 AM Lucy Covello

11:30 AM Marie & Joseph Mazza 6:00 PM Dr. Richard Stefanacci

#### MONDAY, October 31, 2022

9:00 AM Patricia Straut

#### TUESDAY, November 1, 2022

6:30 AM For the People of the Parish

9:00 AM Theresa Stuhr

#### WEDNESDAY, November 2, 2022

6:30 AM All Soul's Intentions 9:00 AM All Soul's Intentions

#### THURSDAY, November 3, 2022

6:30 AM All Soul's Intentions 9:00 AM All Soul's Intentions

#### FRIDAY, November 4, 2022

9:00 AM Richard Cancilla

#### SATURDAY, November 5, 2022

9:00 AM All Soul's Intentions 5:00 PM Barbara Murray

#### SUNDAY, November 6, 2022

8:00 AM Alfred & Beverly Nash

10:00 AM Beverly Nash 11:30 AM Frances Stassi 6:00 PM Frank D. Havlin

# THE IN LOVING

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lighted during the week of October 30 for Jerry Mattessich, requested by Bob & Lina Mattessich.

The Altar Bread and Wine consecrated during the week of October 30 for Jerry Mattessich, requested by Anne Mattessich.



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