

ST JOSEPH ~ HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
DECEMBER 6, 2020

SATURDAY, 12/5 VIGIL: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:00 PM (HT) - THE NEEDS AND INTENTIONS OF OUR PARISHIONERS

SUNDAY, 12/6 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 AM (SJ) - JOHN DOTZEL
10:00 AM (HT) - ROBERT ESSMAN

**MONDAY, 12/7 VIGIL: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

7:00 PM (SJ) - NEAL GAREY
LECTOR - TIM KIRBY
EUCH. MINIST. - WANDA MILLER

**TUESDAY, 12/8 THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

7:00 PM (HT) - THE NEEDS AND INTENTIONS OF OUR PARISHIONERS
LECTOR - KIM PURKEY
EUCH. MINIST. - KAREN PARGEON

WEDNESDAY, 12/9

8:00 AM (HT) - BILL SCHMELTZER
4:00 PM **HOLY HOUR**

THURSDAY, 12/10

8:00 AM (HT) - ANITA KIRBY

FRIDAY, 12/11

8:00 AM (HT) - TOM PAXTON

SATURDAY, 12/12 VIGIL: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:00 PM (HT) - JANE WAMER
LECTOR - TIM CARPENTER
EUCH. MINIST. - Kelly Sagan

SUNDAY, 12/13 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8 AM (SJ) - NEEDS AND INTENTIONS OF OUR PARISHIONERS
LECTOR - STEVE SHUMAKER
EUCH. MINIST. - DAVE NOLL

10 AM (HT) - DON AND THERESA FORGRAVE
LECTOR - SISTER NANCY
EUCH. MINIST. - DAVID JUNK

NOVEMBER 29TH COLLECTION

ST. JOSEPH

EXPENSES - \$1,900.00
REC'D - \$1,172.00

HOLY TRINITY

CHURCH / SCHOOL
EXPENSES - \$4,700.00
REC'D - \$3,812.00

SCHOOL SUPPORT COLLECTION

HOLY TRINITY - \$1,148.00
ST. JOSEPH'S - \$528.00

COLLECTIONS IN DECEMBER

DECEMBER 6 – ST. JOSEPH MAINTENANCE FUND
DECEMBER 12 & 13 – RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS
DECEMBER 24 & 25 – DIOCESAN CHARITIES
DECEMBER 26 & 27 – MONTHLY SCHOOL SUPPORT

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK,
AND THE SHUT-INS OF OUR PARISHES AND
COMMUNITY: JOSH STEVENSON, JOE HAMMOND,
DAN REICHLEY, BARB GASKINS, BRENDA STORTS,
MABEL AND MARY WAGNER, MATTHEW SCHMELTZER,
MIKE SMITH, HANNAH WILSON, PAT STERNER,
FRANCIE BAUGHMAN**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**THE ST. JOSEPH MAINTENANCE FUND COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN UP THIS SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 6TH, AT ST. JOSEPH'S.**

**HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE – THIS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8 IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD AND IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. THE HOLY DAY VIGIL
MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT ST. JOSEPH'S MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 7, AT 7:00P.M.
THERE WILL BE ONE MASS CELEBRATED ON THE HOLY DAY AT 7:00P.M., AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.**

PASTOR'S NOTE

PARISHIONERS, I SOMETIMES WATCH VIDEOS OF BISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN ON **YOUTUBE** AND HAPPENED TO SEE THE ONE ON PATRIOTISM. THIS VIDEO ADDRESSED A LOT OF WHAT WE ARE EXPERIENCING IN OUR SOCIETY TODAY. HE RELATED HOW PATRIOTISM IS RELATED TO THE LATIN WORD, PIETAS. OUR ENGLISH WORD, PIETY, COMES FROM THIS WORD. FOR THE ROMANS, THIS WORD HAD A RICHER MEANING THAN JUST DEVOTEDNESS; IT MEANT LOVE OF GOD, LOVE OF NEIGHBOR, AND LOVE OF COUNTRY. WHEN ONE OF THESE IS MISSING, THEN THE OTHERS ARE MISSING. HE TALKED ABOUT THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND HOW IT DIFFERED FROM THE REVOLUTIONS HE WAS WITNESSING IN HIS TIME, PROBABLY AROUND 1968. OUR AMERICAN REVOLUTION WAS NOT FOUGHT AGAINST OPPRESSION OR THE STAMP ACT OR THE TEA TAX, BUT FOR THE ABILITY TO GOVERN OURSELVES; WE WANTED TO DECIDE FOR OURSELVES WHAT WE

NEEDED AND WANTED. IN CONTRAST THE PRESENT REVOLUTION IS BASED ON VIOLENCE, THE DESTRUCTION OF EVERYTHING OF THE PAST. THOMAS JEFFERSON BASED OUR PRINCIPLES OF DEMOCRACY ON THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON AND THAT ALL RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES COME FROM GOD. THE GOVERNMENT WAS FOUNDED ON RESPECT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL; GOD GIVES THESE RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES TO THE INDIVIDUAL. IF THEY CAME FROM THE WILL OF THE MAJORITY, THEN THE MAJORITY COULD TAKE THESE RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES AWAY. THE MAJORITY WAS INTENDED TO BE THE CUSTODIAN OF THESE RIGHTS FOR THE MINORITY. LIKewise, IF THEY CAME FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THEN THE GOVERNMENT COULD TAKE THEM AWAY. AS THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE STATES, IT IS A SELF-EVIDENT PRINCIPLE THAT THE CREATOR HAS ENDOWED MAN WITH CERTAIN UNALIENABLE RIGHTS AMONG WHICH ARE THE RIGHTS OF LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS. THE PRESENT REVOLUTION IS FOUNDED ON TERROR. TO MAKE PEOPLE DO WHAT YOU WANT THEM TO DO YOU HAVE TO CONFISCATE PROPERTY AND DESTROY THEIR RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES; THE PEOPLE MUST BE TAUGHT THAT THE WAY TO SAVE THEMSELVES IS ONLY THROUGH VIOLENCE. THEREFORE, THE PATH TO ESTABLISHING GOVERNMENTS MUST BE ON A PILE OF CORPSES. I THINK WE CAN SEE HOW GOD HAS GONE OUT THE WINDOW; WE HAVE BANNED PRAYER IN OUR SCHOOLS; WE NO LONGER ACKNOWLEDGE GOD AS OUR SUPREME BEING. WHEN WE DO AWAY WITH THE LOVE OF GOD THEN WE HAVE LOST THE LOVE OF NEIGHBOR AND LOVE OF COUNTRY; WE NO LONGER SEEM TO RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF OUR NEIGHBORS, OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH THEM HAVE BECOME MORE STRIDENT AND ABRASIVE; NOR DO WE SEEM TO RESPECT OUR COUNTRY, WE BURN OUR FLAG, WE KNEEL AT OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM. WE NEED TO TURN BACK TO GOD AND ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AS OUR CREATOR. THERE IS MORE THAT BISHOP SHEEN SAYS ON THIS TOPIC, BUT I HAVE ALREADY GONE TOO LONG, SO I WILL WRAP IT UP IN NEXT WEEK'S NOTES.

PLEASE NOTE OUR CHANGE IN THE CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

DUE TO THE COVID-19 THIS YEAR WE WILL HAVE THE 4:00P.M. CHRISTMAS EVE MASS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, AND THE 6:00P.M. CHRISTMAS EVE MASS WILL BE AT ST. JOSEPH'S. THERE IS NO CHILDREN'S MASS THIS YEAR. MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 9:00A.M., AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS PARTICIPATED IN THE BEACON ON THE HILL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FEASIBILITY STUDY SO FAR EITHER BY PHONE OR THE PAPER ONLINE SURVEY. JUST A REMINDER, IF YOU HAVEN'T RETURNED THE SURVEY WHICH WAS MAILED TO YOU PLEASE DO SO BY DECEMBER 11TH. PLEASE NOTIFY THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE A SURVEY AND WE WILL ENSURE YOU RECEIVE ONE.

CAMPAIGN PRAYER: GOD, OUR FATHER, WE REACH UP TO YOU IN PRAYER GRATEFUL FOR THE ABUNDANT BLESSINGS YOU HAVE SHOWERED UPON HOLY TRINITY PARISH. PRESENTLY AS YOU CALL US TO PREPARE FOR OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN WE SEEK YOUR BLESSING IN THIS IMPORTANT CONSEQUENTIAL ENDEAVOR!

ENDOW US WITH YOUR GRACE THAT WE MAY HAVE HEARTS THAT ARE BOTH GENEROUS AND OPEN TO YOUR WILL! GUIDE US SO THAT GENERATIONS TO FOLLOW MAY CONTINUE TO GROW TOGETHER WITH CHRIST IN THIS HOLY DWELLING. AMEN

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

NEXT WEEKEND DECEMBER 12 & 13 THE COLLECTION FOR THE RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS WILL BE TAKEN UP AT ALL THE MASSES. IN GOOD TIMES AND BAD, SENIOR CATHOLIC SISTERS, BROTHERS, AND RELIGIOUS ORDER PRIESTS HAVE DEDICATED THEMSELVES TO SERVICE AND ACTS OF MERCY. TODAY, THEY PRAY FOR AN ACHING WORLD. YET YEARS OF SERVING FOR LITTLE OR NO PAY HAVE LEFT THEIR RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES WITHOUT ADEQUATE SAVINGS FOR RETIREMENT. YOUR GIFT TO THE RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS HELPS TO PROVIDE PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS, NURSING CARE, AND OTHER NECESSITIES FOR THOUSANDS OF ELDERLY RELIGIOUS. PLEASE SUPPORT NEXT WEEK'S COLLECTION FOR THE RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS, BY GIVING TO THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN A LIFETIME.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS – WE INVITE ALL OUR PARISHIONERS FROM BOTH PARISHES TO MAKE A DONATION FOR THE CHURCHES CHRISTMAS FLOWERS. YOUR DONATION CAN BE GIVEN IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE(S) IF YOU LIKE. JUST ENCLOSE YOUR DONATION AND INTENTION(S) IN AN ENVELOPE MARKED “HOLY TRINITY FLOWERS” OR “ST. JOSEPH FLOWERS” AND DROP IN THE COLLECTION BASKET OR MAIL TO P.O. BOX 190, SOMERSET, NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 20.

A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT – A MASS CELEBRATED BY A MISSIONARY PRIEST FOR YOUR LOVED ONES AND FRIENDS. YOUR LOVED ONES/FRIENDS WILL RECEIVE A BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS THEMED MASS CARD, ACKNOWLEDGING YOUR GIFT. GO TO WWW.COLUMBUSCATHOLIC.ORG/REQUEST-A-MASS, CLICK LINK FOR CHRISTMAS GIFT MASS FORM. COMPLETE AND PAY ONLINE OR CLICK THE PRINTABLE FORM LINK AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE AND MAIL IT WITH YOUR PAYMENT TO DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS MISSIONS OFFICE, 197 EAST GAY STREET, COLUMBUS, OH 43215. THE MASS STIPEND IS \$10. WE MUST RECEIVE YOUR REQUEST BY DECEMBER 14TH TO ENSURE DELIVERY BEFORE CHRISTMAS. FOR ANY QUESTIONS, CALL 614-228-8603 OR SEND AN EMAIL TO MISMAILBOX@COLUMBUSCATHOLIC.ORG.

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HORSE SENSE, NOT NONSENSE

ANOTHER BULLETIN BLOOPER: LADIES OF THE CHURCH HAVE CAST OFF CLOTHING OF EVERY KIND, AND THEY CAN BE SEEN IN THE CHURCH BASEMENT ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON.