



PRINCE of PEACE

CATHOLIC PARISH

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MEETINGS

Baptism

Instruction is required for all parents seeking baptism of their child. Please contact the Rectory.

Care of the Sick

Please advise us of parishioners who are sick that we may keep them in prayer. We would also like to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church.

Confidential Prayer Line

To add intentions call Ellen Calamari at 978-660-3818 or the Rectory at 978-464-2871.

Marriage

Interviews, instruction and Pre-Cana are required. Please contact the Rectory at least one year in advance.

Programs

- Adult Bible Study

Please contact the Rectory for class schedule.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

- Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday 3:45 pm at the church, or by appointment.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Development Committee

978-464-2871

Finance Council

Chairperson: Gerald Gates (978) 464-5636

Education Committee

(978) 464-2871

Liturgical Committee

(978) 464-2871

Evangelization & Outreach Committee

(978) 464-2871

SCHEDULE/MASSES

Monday—Friday 8:30 am

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 am

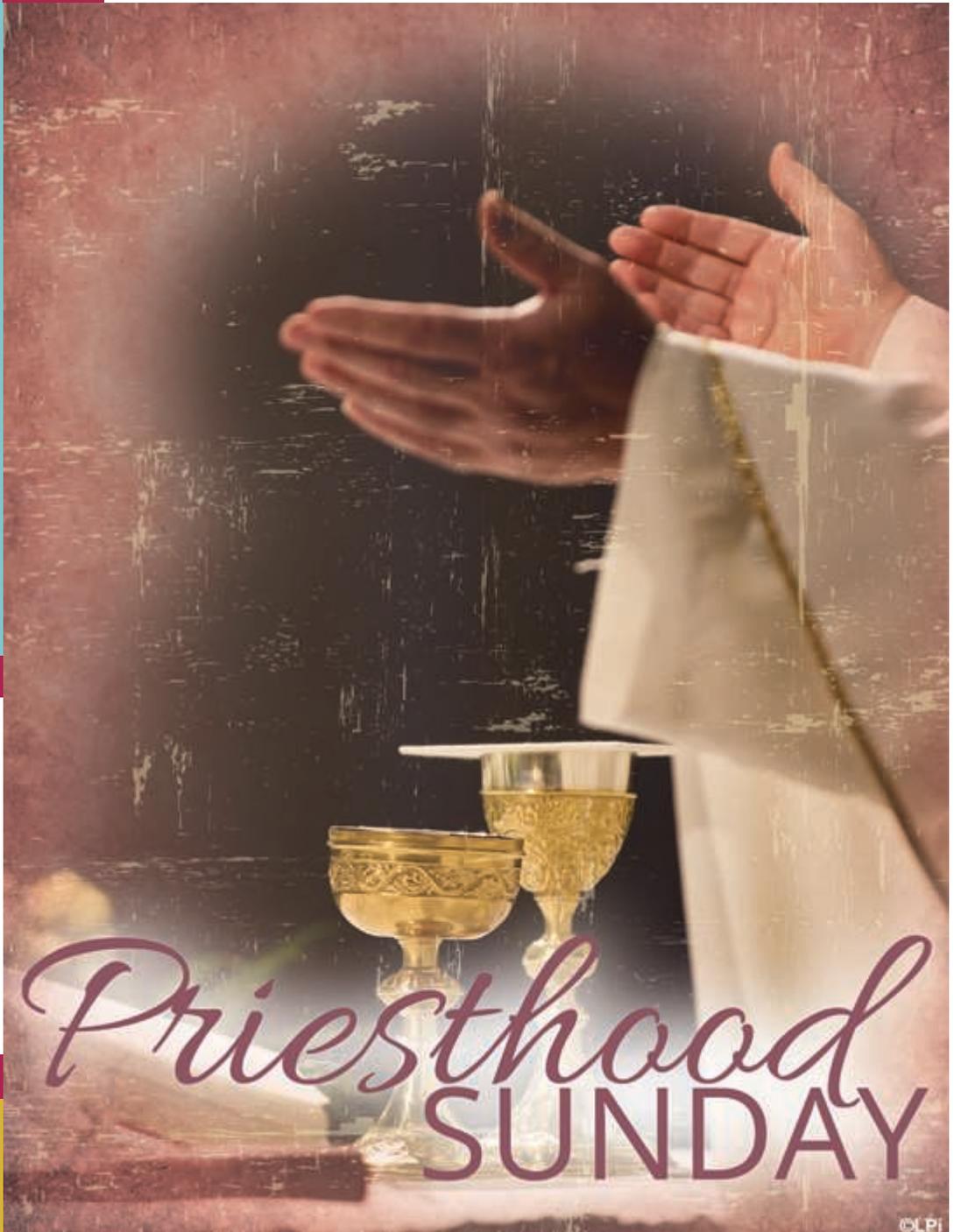
Holy Days/Feast Day 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

Rev. H. Edward Chalmers, Pastor

STAFF

Parish Secretary, Paula Greeley

Religious Education Coordinator, Sharon Bushway



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Your talents are welcome. We encourage you to call a ministry chairperson to find out more about our on-going programs.

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Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, October 30th
 3:45 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM Jeannette, Joseph, and Edward
 Goguen, requested by Gino & Anita
 Masciari
 Sunday, October 31st
 8:30 AM Unrequested
 10:30 AM Steven Gates
 Monday, November 1st *All Saints Day*
 8:30 AM Unrequested
 7:00 PM Unrequested
 Tuesday, November 2nd
 8:30 AM Leon Nadeau, requested by Gino &
 Anita Masciari
 Wednesday, November 3rd
 8:30 AM Unrequested
 Thursday, November 4th
 8:30 AM For the Intentions on our Prayer Line
 and in our Prayer Intention Book
 Friday, November 5th
 8:30 AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Saturday, November 6th
 3:45 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM Unrequested
 Sunday, November 7th
 8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Our Father in
 Heaven for Giving Us Jesus,
 requested by Gino & Anita Masciari
 10:30 AM Unrequested

Notre Dame will hold its entrance exam on
November 6th. Register at www.nda-worc.org.

Saint John's, Shrewsbury, is offering an **Open
 House,** on Tuesday, **November 9, 6-8:30 pm.** Visit
stjohnshigh.org/admissions/openhouse for info.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Sunday, October 31st: No Religious Education
 Classes.**

Next Sunday, November 7th:

Grades 1-6 will meet for class from **9:30 am to
 10:15 am** in the Church hall.

Grades 7-10 will meet for class from **7:00 pm to
 8:00 pm** at the Rectory.

Confirmation candidates will meet for class from
5:00 pm to 6:00 pm on the Rectory porch. Paper
 designating Saint's name is due.

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 31st, 2021

Dear Friends,

*In the gospel reading from Mark for the Thirty-
 First Sunday in Ordinary Time this year, when asked by
 a scribe, "Which is the first of all the commandments?"
 Jesus answered, "The first is this: Hear O Israel! The
 Lord our God is Lord alone. You shall love the Lord
 your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all
 your mind, and with all your strength. The second is
 this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is
 no other commandment greater than these."*

*As we read of Jesus' response to this question,
 may we believe that we are called to love God with our
 total being and to love our neighbor as ourselves. The
 Ten Commandments are based upon these two
 commandments, and we show our love for God by loving
 everyone placed in our lives. Let us always embrace the
 love of God with a profound love for neighbor.*

*During the month of November, the Church
 encourages us to pray for our beloved deceased,
 especially remembering the Holy Souls in purgatory with
 many prayerful devotions. Each year on November 1,
 the Church celebrates the Solemnity of All Saints. Since
 November 1 falls on a Monday this year, there is no
 obligation to attend Holy Mass on that day. However, at
 Prince of Peace Church, Holy Mass will be celebrated at
 8:30 am and 7 pm on November 1. On All Souls Day
 (November 2) may we pray for the Holy Souls in
 purgatory, becoming more aware of preparing our souls
 for Jesus. Let us make every effort to reject sin, embrace
 virtue, and be filled with Christian charity toward
 everyone. Be well and be safe!*

God's love and prayers always,

Fr. Ed

Men Wanted!

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock..." It's time to
 learn more about your Faith. It's time to experience
 what our religion can do for you. Jesus is waiting for
 you, personally. Cursillo weekends are a wonderful, fun
 way to give you a start on this journey. The women's
 weekend in October reached maximum capacity with 18,
 and even ended with a rainbow in the sky! A weekend
 retreat for men will be held on **November 11-14.** Go to
www.fourthday.org and download an application today,
 or call Pam Hamilton at 774-239-8909 for more
 information. These last 22 months have been proof that
 we all need fellowship, and fellowship with God is
 perfect fellowship.

Good News!

October 31, 2021

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Dt 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34

Take to Heart These Words. "Hear, O Israel!" (Deuteronomy 6:3) are the first words of the most important declaration of faith for Jewish people, a declaration that is the centerpiece of the morning and evening Jewish prayer services. It is a kind of "pledge of allegiance" that observant Jews say even today, reminding themselves of the uniqueness of their God and the covenantal relationship they have with this God. In it they confess that the Lord is their God, their only God. Out of reverence, they do not pronounce God's personal name. In its place they substitute the word *Lord*. Behind this act of faith is the covenantal promise of God: "I will be your God and you shall be my people" (Jeremiah 7:23).

This covenant carries mutual responsibilities. God will be their God and will be faithful to all that this blessing entails. As God's people, they will live according to the standards set by God, witnessing to the world the holiness in life lived for and with God. They are to love God with all their heart, soul, and strength.

Jesus did not change this declaration in any way. It is at the heart of the Christian way of life as well. What he did was throw light on the meaning of living for and with God, of loving the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and strength. He insists that to love God is to love others, and to love them as we love ourselves. "Hear, O Israel!" "Take to heart these words" (Deuteronomy 6:6).

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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The collection for the weekend of October 23-24, 2021, was as follows:

Monthly	\$ 125.00
Make up envelopes	\$ 10.00
Religious Ed Registration	\$ 50.00
Yearly donation	\$ 400.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 125.00
All Souls	\$ 55.00
All Saints	\$ 5.00
Regular collection	<u>\$1,127.00</u>
Total Collection:	\$1,897.00

If anyone is interested in serving as a **Eucharistic Minister, or Lector**, please contact Fr. Ed or email the office at princeofpeace@verizon.net.



As you shop for the Thanksgiving holiday this year, please keep in mind that the **St. Joan of Arc Food Pantry** in Worcester is in great need of food items. A basket has been placed in the sanctuary to accept monetary gifts and nonperishable fruits and vegetables, canned hams, coffee, sugar, flour, etc., to be used to make up Thanksgiving baskets and to replenish the pantry. **No turkeys will be accepted this year.** Fresh fruits and vegetables, and other perishable items, will be accepted closer to Thanksgiving. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

"Remember those who have gone before us..."

November has traditionally been the month set aside to remember our deceased loved ones and to pray for their happy repose. List the names of your loved ones on the envelope provided in your monthly packet or a plain envelope and place it in the collection basket, and we will join you in praying for your loved ones. The names of those to be remembered will be placed in the Sanctuary and will be prayed for during the month of November.

There is a sign-up sheet at the entrance to the Church for anyone interested in joining the Children's Choir for the Christmas Liturgy. Please be sure to leave an email address as well!