

# THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY

## NOVEMBER 3, 2019

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of Sacred Heart,

The torrential rains that fell last Sunday let up just in time for the angels and saints to stay dry for *Holy Wins*, our new parish celebration of Halloween that features angels, saints, and biblical figures in place of the usual Halloween ghosts, zombies, and skeletons. *Holy Wins* (Evil loses)! is a way to remind our children (and ourselves!) that we as Christians should be celebrating the victory of light and goodness (All Saints Day) over darkness and evil. Singer Billy Joel challenged us in an old song that he would rather “laugh with the sinners than cry with the saints; the sinners are much more fun!” But if we really get to know the saints, we discover that that idea isn’t true at all. The saints joyfully embraced life and lived it to the full. They were men and women from every time and place, educational background, and economic level, who placed themselves on the path to holiness in imitation of Jesus Christ; and with the help of God’s grace, they made notable progress, becoming in the process role models and powerful intercessors to encourage and help us on our own road to holiness, which, as Vatican II reminds us, is nothing other than the perfection of love—keeping the Great Commandment: love of God and love of neighbor. We all enjoy the traditional Halloween (me too!), and that’s fine. Let’s just not forget that All Hallows Eve (Halloween) makes no sense apart from the feast of which it is only the prelude: All Saints Day!

And if anyone climbed out of a bad life style and caught sight of a better one, certainly that person was Zacchaeus of our Gospel for today (Lk 19:1-10). Once he saw Jesus from the top of that sycamore tree, he literally had a life-changing experience, being inspired to make restitution for all of his dishonesty in the past, and welcoming Jesus into his home in spite of the peer pressure that didn’t want him to get off quite so easily (They were upset with Jesus for going to the house of a “sinner” as a guest!) So, who’s laughing now?! . . . We never hear anything more about Zacchaeus in the Gospels, although in Christian tradition he became a disciple and an active missionary. Our own path to holiness may not lead us to climb any sycamore trees, but changing our perspective is never a bad idea. Let’s use this opportunity of All Saints Day to learn more about our

favorite saint, or to discover a saint for the first time! And as we also celebrate All Souls Day and pray for the faithful departed during the month of November, let’s remember that all of us (living and deceased) form part of that “Communion of Saints” bound together in faith and love, transcending this world’s limits, and reaching out together to that Kingdom of Heaven which, as St. Augustine tells us, will be the source of our eternal happiness.

Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR, Pastor

### **31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Look, we pray, O Lord  
On the offerings we make to your majesty,  
That whatever is done by us in your service  
May be directed above all to your glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen*

### **BREAKING BREAD**

Beginning on November 30<sup>th</sup> the parish will be using a new missalette known as Breaking Bread. This new book includes the Daily Mass Propers, the Sunday readings and music. The book will cover the entire liturgical year of 2020.

### **RESPECT LIFE BABY BOTTLES ARE HERE!**

Please take a bottle home and fill it with your spare change or however you wish to contribute we Thank you for saying YES to life and for supporting this important effort! For more information go to [www.goodcounselhomes.org](http://www.goodcounselhomes.org).

### **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 11AM TO 12:15PM SATURDAYS**



The rehearsals will begin on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 11am in the Church. There is still time to signup. Please call the Rectory Office at 357-0035. The Pageant will be on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm with a reception following. All children ages 3 and up are welcome to join.

## PARISH CALENDAR

**Sunday, November 3**

**Altar Server Installation Mass – 10am Mass**

**Monday, November 4**

Rel Ed. – Grade 6 – 4:30pm to 6:00pm

Rel Ed. – Grade 7 – 7:00pm to 8:30pm

CYO – 5pm gym

Hispanic RCIA – 7:00pm Rectory

Novena – 7:15pm

**Tuesday, November 5**

CYO – 5:30pm to 9:00pm

Rel. Ed. Grades 3–5 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. Grade 8 – 7:00pm

Prayer Group – 7:30pm in the Rectory Chapel

**Wednesday, November 6**

**SHS Closed Conference Day**

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8:00pm cafeteria

**Thursday, November 7**

CYO – 5:30pm to 9:00pm

**Friday, November 8**

Prayer Shawl Mtg. – 1pm in the Rectory

**Saturday, November 9**

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory

Rel Ed. -Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal – 11am in the church

**Sunday, November 10**

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY THANKSGIVING BASKETS

We are asking for donations of turkeys and trimmings for Thanksgiving Baskets. There is a bin outside in the parking lot (a sign directs you to the exact spot in front of garage) for dropping off turkeys. **The deadline for donations is Sunday, November 17th.** The baskets will be distributed on Monday, November 25 from 10am until 12noon at the rear of the Rectory. Please contribute if possible. This is St. Vincent DePaul Society's Annual Thanksgiving event to help the needy in our midst.



### THE GIVING TREE WILL BE HERE SOON

The Giving Tree is an Advent fixture here at Sacred Heart and many other parishes. This effort highlights the generosity of our parishioners towards those who can use some help. Please take one (or more) of the *ornaments* (Tags) and give them a gift from your heart. Your thoughtfulness will bring great joy to our brothers and sisters in Christ. The Giving Tree donations go to Good Counsel Homes, Birthright, Ramapo Manor, homeless and others in need. Please look for the Giving Tree set up in the back of the Church beginning Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>. **Gifts are due by Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.** P.S. We are putting the tree out a week early

**ST. MARY'S VILLA**

**TRICKY TRAY**

**NOVEMBER 17, 2019**

**DOORS OPEN 11AM / AUCTION 1PM**

All proceeds to Benefit St. Joseph's Adult Care Home. Hundreds of raffle items and baskets. For more info call: 845-753-2555.

### ST. JOSEPH'S REGIONAL H.S.

**OPEN HOUSE:** On Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., Saint Joseph Regional H.S., Montvale, NJ will be hosting an Open House for prospective students (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys) and their families to gain more information concerning St. Joseph Regional, its programs & the people who make up the SJR community. Check-in is 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm. Presentations and tours begin at 7:00 p.m. For more information & directions please call the school at 201-391-3300 or register at [www.sjrnj.org](http://www.sjrnj.org)

### ST JOSEPH REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CRAFT SPECTACULAR

On Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Joseph's HS in Montvale, NJ will be hosting its Christmas Craft Spectacular from 10am until 4pm showcasing the talents of 105 crafts people and fine artists. The whole first floor will be used. Admission is \$3.00. Children and senior citizens (65+) are free. NO Strollers Permitted. [www.saintjosephregional.org](http://www.saintjosephregional.org)

### DON BOSCO PREP OPEN HOUSE

Don Bosco Prep is proud to announce its second Fall Open House date for prospective and transfer students on Sunday, October 27, 2019, from 1:00pm to 3:00pm (preceded by 12:00pm Mass). Hour-long tours will take place every 15 Minutes. We hope to see you there!

### SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

**30<sup>th</sup> Sunday Collection - \$11,651.**

**Last Year's collection - \$14,767.**

### ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería. Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 9 de noviembre 2019 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

For the Second Time

JACLYN DIMITRIOU AND JONATHAN MILACK



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Keith Alanis, Jenna Applebaum, Theresa Anselmi, Baby Ty, Michael Brady, Pat Brady, Annette Burbridge, Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, David Eckert, Sr., Ginny Figula, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene Gentile, Mark Goldman, Joan Grau, Debra Gravina, Senan Halpin, Roy Harris, Clement Hayes, Mr. Harris, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Susan Jarkiewicz, Anna Kasperska, Eileen Kennedy, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Rosemarie Manthey, Matthew Luludis, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Rosemary McCormick, Rich McDowell, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joseph Mikulka, Barbara Neilson, Robert Nunes, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Pat O'Neill, Nancy Overend, Shace Paljusevic, Peter Princi, Etta Rooney, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Frank Salveggi, Janet Schwartz, Ruth Schwetz, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Roberto Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Shaun Stein, Richard Vanadio, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, Robert Vogt, Fr. Wing, and Vladimir Zaslavsky.



## FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

We pray for all the men and women serving our country in the armed forces especially the sons and daughters, grandchildren and loved ones of our parishioners.

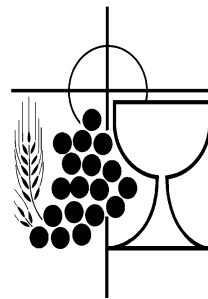
## ALTAR MEMORIALS NOVEMBER 3, 2019

Altar Candles In Memory of  
**DR. LEO GRECO**

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of  
**GEORGE BISIG**

## BOOSTER CLUB

WEEK 13 - KATHLEEN & JEFFREY HENRY



## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

### SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm – Betty Hurley

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Carmela & Anthony Antonelli

10:00am – Thomas Witt

11:30am – Mary Ann Blanton

1:00pm – Antoinette DeLorenzo

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

7:00am – Rose Lopardo

9:00am – Ted Ashman

7:15pm – Novena

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

7:00am – George Bisig

9:00am – Thomas Witt

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

7:00am – Joseph Lopardo

9:00am – Aline Hendrickson

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

7:00am – Josephine Dattilo

9:00pm – Maureen Tomori

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

7:00am – Carmela Cogliano

9:00am – Harold Gravius

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9:00am – Lisa Pilié Jocelyn

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

5:30pm – Eugene Passariello

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Dianne Messina

10:00am – Carol Hayden

11:30am – Aurelio & Caterina Licata

1:00pm – Elena Nicasio

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones especially:

**FRANK HENION, LUCY MATRONE**