

Sacred Heart Church

November 23, 2008

Week of November 23rd – November 30th

Saturday, November 22nd – St. Cecelia

Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1-2,9-10/Lk 20:27-40
 8:30 Decd Darlene Leone
 4:00 (T) Decd Arlene McDonald
 5:00 pm Decd Theresa Manzo & Patsy Manzo (Anni)

Sunday, November 23rd – Feast of Christ the King

Ez 34:11-12,15-17/Ps 23:1-3,5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26,28/Mt 25:31-46
 7:00 am Sp Int For Our Parish Family
 8:30 Decd Philip & Ida Totten &
 Decd Mbrs Totten & Rosato Families
 10:00 Decd William A. & William J. Malone
 11:30 Decd Raymond Fallon

Monday, November 24th – St. Andrew Dung-Lac

Rv 14:1-3,4b-5/Ps 24:1b-4b,5-6/Lk 21:1-4
 6:45 Decd Antonio & Domenica Aureli
 8:30 Decd William McSpedon (14th Anni)

Tuesday, November 25th

Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10-13/Lk 21:5-11
 6:45 Decd Fred Hill
 8:30 Decd John Roche & Eileen Roche Clarke (Anni)

Wednesday, November 26th

Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1-3b,7-9/Lk 21:12-19
 6:45 Decd Fr. Donatus Goetz, OFM Cap
 8:30 Decd Lino Rampa
 7:30 Decd Tom Milo

Thursday, November 27th – Thanksgiving Day

Sir 50:22-24/ps 138:1-5/ 1 Cor 1:3-9/Lk 17:11-19
 8:30 Decd Richard Pristash (5th Anni)

Friday, November 28th

Rv 20:1-4,11-21:2/Ps 84:3-6a,8a/Lk 21:29-33
 6:45 Decd Claire & Bill McSpedon &
 Living & Deceased Mbrs of Family
 8:30 Decd Andrew Rutledge

Saturday, November 29th

Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-7b/Lk 21:34-36
 8:30 Decd Kathleen & Michael Dohan
 4:00 (M) Decd Mary Maitre & May Howard
 5:00 pm Decd John Hanrahan Sr. & Deborah Condon

Sunday, November 30th - First Sunday of Advent

Is 63:16-17,19;64:2-7/ps 80:2-3,25-26,18-19/ 1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37
 7:00 am Decd Paulina Flores Mestanza
 8:30 Sp Int For Our Parish Family
 10:00 Decd Manuel Rodrigues
 11:30 Decd Katharina Gessman

MEMORIALS: Week of November 23rd



SANCTUARY LAMP:

Decd Josephine & Frederick Levis

BREAD & WINE:

Decd Jean & Vincent Post

STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S BLESSINGS - TITHING

November 15-16, 2008\$7,832.41
 Last year\$8,729.50

Cash Appeal 2008 (to date).....\$23,876.97
 Cash Appeal 2007 (to date).....\$23,031.46

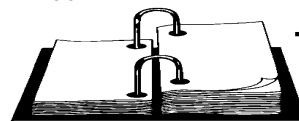
Thank you for your faithful and generous support of Sacred Heart and our many needs!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK....

Next Sunday we will celebrate the First Sunday of Advent. I would like to suggest that each household have an Advent wreath to assist in the celebration of Advent Season. The first three weeks of Advent are a time of preparation which focuses on the Second Coming of Christ. The final eight days anticipate the celebration of the anniversary of Christ's birth. The season of Advent is marked by a feeling of anticipation.

The Advent wreath can help us to measure the time as we wait for the day of Christ's appearance. The four candles—one for each week of the Advent Season—represent the period of waiting. The green of the wreath speaks of the hope that we have in God, the hope of newness, of renewal, of eternal life. The circle of the wreath reminds us of God Himself, His eternity and endless mercy, which has no beginning or end. The burning flames symbolize the light of God coming into the world through the birth of His son. Having an Advent wreath in your home can assist you and your loved ones in spiritualizing the season, so that we do not lose sight of the true purpose of Christmas, which is to celebrate the coming of the Savior into the world. Advent rings and candles are available through the parish office and will be sold in the vestibule of the church on the First Sunday of Advent. What a wonderful way to keep the focus on Christ during this holiday season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
 Fr. Moe



The Week Ahead

Sunday, November 23rd

Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:00 am
 Religious Education 11:00 am
 Advent Wreath Decoration (Grades 1,2,3) 11:00 am
 Secular Franciscans 12:30/1:45 pm

Monday, November 24th

7th/8th Religious Education 7:00 pm
 RCIA 7:30 pm

Wednesday, November 26th

O.L.P.H. Novena 7:00 pm; Mass - 7:30pm

Saturday, November 29th

Scripture Study 9:15 am

Sunday, November 30th

No Children's Liturgy
 No Religious Education

Ellen Boyle, Al Femia, Brian Paschall, Sr. Gloria Sullivan OSU, Jane Zevola, Mary Leavey, Dorothy Aurisy, Dominic Villara, Marion Travers, Lucia Rampa, Rose Panessa, Louis Mehrtens, Irene Bybel, Mary Galle, Ada Russak, Margaret Castle, Winifred Persise, Judy Persise, Kathleen Liberati, Constantine Castiglione, Ronald Milne, Faye Siami, Irene Hickey, Marietta Rasulo, Mary Hanczor



Marriage Banns

III Timothy Coffey & Heather Burke

FEAST OF THANKSGIVING

The Spiritual Life Committee invites you to join us for the Thanksgiving Mass on Thursday at 8:30 am. We will have the traditional Blessing of Food during the Liturgy. Please bring your food to be blessed and place it on the tables in the main aisle of the church before mass. The Blessing will take place immediately after the homily. After mass, you will be able to take your food and the traditional bag of apples with a table blessing to share at home.



OFFICE CLOSING: The Parish Office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. It will reopen on Friday morning at 9:00 am. There will only be one Mass on Thursday.

CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF ST. PAUL

"You, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day." As the darkest days of the year approach, join Fr. Charles for an Advent look at St. Paul and the earliest document of the bright hope of our Christian faith, the First Letter to the Thessalonians. December 2 and 9 from 7:30-9:00 pm in the Church Hall. Bring your Bible!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Mark your calendar! Our annual Christmas Concert will take place on Saturday, December 20th, at 7:30 PM in the Church. Don't miss this wonderful Advent event as we mark our waiting for the Savior's birth in song. The Choirs of Sacred Heart will be accompanied by the Sacred Heart Chamber Orchestra. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available in the parish office. Forms for sponsorships can be found in the vestibule of the church.

JESSE TREE GIFT GIVING PROGRAM

Beginning this Sunday, the Jesse Tree will be in the vestibule of the church. This year we will once again collect **TOYS for children 1-10 years of age.** If you should choose to include mittens, gloves, scarf or sweatshirt, please feel free to do so. Please return the gift to the parish office by **December 10th.** Remember to attach the tag to the outside of your wrapped gift. Thank you for your continued generous response to this program.

SACRED HEART CHOIRS

The Choirs of Sacred Heart are looking for new voices to join them. We currently have choirs or choral ensembles at the 5:00, 10:00 and 11:30 masses. We are also beginning to prepare for the Christmas Concert. Everyone is invited to contribute their talents to any of these groups. Choir rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. Rehearsals are held in the High School Building; please enter through back door under the breezeway. For more information, please contact Andy Bauer, Music Director, after any mass or call the office at 963-4205.

THE FAMILY CLOSET

Now has a full inventory of fall and winter clothing, as well as shoes and accessories for women and children. Also on our shelves you will find a variety of knick-knacks to help you decorate your home for Christmas. Do come in and browse. We will be closed November 26th and November 29th in observance of Thanksgiving.

TEEN NIGHT

On Friday, November 28th, Sacred Heart Parish will be having our third Teen Night. We would like to extend an invitation to all High School and College Student Parishioners. Come join us and other teens in the Parish. Thanksgiving is a great time to connect with friends and family. The time is 7:30pm till 9:30pm. Snacks are available at the Sacred Heart Snack bar.

CHRIST THE KING PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

We celebrate with our neighboring parish on their feast day. They invite us to join their blood drive Sunday, November 23rd, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the school gym. Blood donors are asked to register at 473-5937.



SACRED HEART GRADE SCHOOL

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Parents, teachers, staff and administration joined forces to participate in Operation Christmas Child. Donations of small gifts that would fit in a shoe box were brought in, decorated and labeled boy or girl with the hope of bringing some joy to children around the world who are living in poverty. Shipping costs \$7 a box which was covered by two bake sales. Teachers, staff and children in the pre-K and Grade 3 contributed baked goods collecting \$372. The rest of the classes collected canned goods for the school wide Thanksgiving Food Drive. This was truly a collaborative effort.

HONOR ROLL

The Grade School has released the First Quarter Honor Roll. We would like to give a shout out to these students!

Principal's List

Olivia Antonecchia, Katherine Gabriel, Kimberly Larino, Dominique Nyemchek, Alana Persing, Cristina Sanchez, Dante Scarnati, Ruth Tacandong, Reme Uduebo

First Honors

Nicole Almeida, Rachel Asante, Ashley Francois, Chris Garcia, Denis Halloran, Shannon Halloran, Virginia Hoblock, Nicole Hold, Mark Maskara, Joseph McDermott, Diana Pereira, Caitriona Rafferty, Jennifer Recine, Samantha Salvatore, Rodolfo Sanchez, Michael Scarnati, Sydney Sheppard, Ron Tacandong

Second Honors

Samantha Consaga, Sean Crosby, Joseph Flynn, Sean Flynn, Danielle Garcia, Christopher Giannantonio, Kaitlin Hold, Nicholas Hold, Tiffany LaBelle, Celine Lindain, Kristan Maskara, Janice Mofunanya, Mark Mofunanya, Lucy Oelkers, Amanda Pereira, Michael Pereira, John Pezzullo, Sarah Pocas, Erika Ramos, Antonio Reed, Gabriella Sierra, Gabriella Soto, Melanie Subieta, Ralph Tacandong, Ronald Tacandong, Ryan Urtz

Sacred Heart High School

DON'T MISS "THE MAN WHO CAME TO DINNER", presented by the Sacred Heart Players Saturday, November 22nd at 8 PM and an early evening performance on Sunday, November 23rd at 5 PM. *The Man Who Came to Dinner* tripped on the front step of his hosts' home and is now trapped there for six weeks until the broken bones heal. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$8 for students and senior citizens. Please call: 965-6953.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The High School is currently holding their annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. This has been a tradition of the school for well over 40 years. Last year, the students were able to distribute over 300 baskets to needy families for their holiday celebration. Anyone interested in donating to the food drive may drop donations to the Main Office in the school.



NORTH YONKERS PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT CORP.

announces the following upcoming events:

DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICE

Monday	Nov 24	Groceries South
Tuesday	Nov 25	Groceries North
Wednesday	Nov 26	Christmas Tree Shop

No Shuttle Thursday or Friday, November 27th and 28th.

For information or reservations, please call 423-9754.

NORTH YONKERS BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

2009 Basketball Sign-ups for boys and girls, ages 5-16, are being held on Thursdays from 7-9 pm and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. The Instructional Fee (ages 5-6) is \$50, regular team's fee, ages 7-16 is \$65. There is an early-Bird registration special through November 29th. For more information, call Jerry - 557-0119 or Tina - 557-0116.

YONKERS POLICE DEPARTMENT

The YPD will be sponsoring a Citizens Police Academy from Dec. 1st through Jan. 15th. The six week program will meet on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:00pm to 9:30pm. The training will be conducted by certified instructors from the YPD Training Division. The Citizens Polica Academy provides participants with a better understanding of police service as well as the difficulties that officers encounter in the performance of their duties. Members of the community who are interested in attending can obtain an application by contacting the Office of Police Commissioner Edmund Hartnett at 377-7200. Completed applications are due by November 24th.

RETREATS AND REFLECTIONS

DIVINE COMPASSION SPIRITUALITY CENTER

52 N BROADWAY, WHITE PLAINS, NY 798-1202

Advent Retreat: Called by Compassion...Into the Heart of God in Advent. Friday, Dec 12, 7:00pm to Saturday, Dec 13, 4:00 pm. Time for quiet, for reflection and for faith sharing. \$55.00 includes overnight, breakfast, snack and lunch. Saturday only-\$25.00. For more info, call the Center at the number above or email dcsc@divinecompassion.org.



OPERATION SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Please remember to drop off at the friary or place in the box in the vestibule any goodies you would like to donate to the troops. Toiletries, NO BAR SOAPS, chap stick, hand sanitizers, baby wipes. Food and snacks: powdered drink mixes, Pringles, peanuts, dried fruits, fruit in pop top cans or plastic containers, nuts, beef jerky, power bars, breakfast bars, M&Ms, but not chocolate bars- the weather isn't cool enough yet. To help keep them 'busy': DVDs, CDs, AT&T telephone cards – international use, magazines, word puzzle books, Sudoku puzzles, current magazines. Things to keep them more comfortable: socks, towels, flashlights/with batteries, fly paper, insect repellent, deodorant, jockey shorts underwear (all sizes), more socks!! Checks made out to OSOT (tax deductible) are most welcome to help with the cost of the mailings. Thanks to all for helping the morale raising for our troops.

OUR MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Please pray for peace and the safe return of our men and women serving in the armed forces everywhere, especially those listed below:

Joseph Norcini- Army, Matt Stough - Marines, Brendan Mayer-Army, Joseph Uzzi- Marines, Michael Jones- Navy, Walter Urtz III – Navy, Thomas Sabol-Marines.

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