# HOLY FAMILY PARISH

A Catholic faith community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values.

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#### WEEKEND MASSES

**ST. JOHN CHURCH** 1405 FIRST AVENUE SATURDAY 4:30 PM SUNDAY 10:30 AM

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH 201 CLARK STREET SUNDAY 9:00 AM

ADORATION HOLY TRINITY CHURCH MONDAY-FRIDAY 12:30 - 4:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ST. JOHN CHURCH SATURDAY 3:30 PM

# November 12, 2017

## 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Neighborhood Reps! It's Calendar Pick Up Time!

Calendars are available for pick up in the parish office after the 9 AM Mass and again in the St. John Undercroft after the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday.

Didn't Receive a Calendar Last Year? Maybe your neighborhood needs a representative! If you'd like to take care of your neighborhood's calendar deliveries, please stop by! We have 2018 calendars plus the Advent / Christmas Brochure and a neighborhood list ready. It only takes a short while and helps build up our parish community! *Nice family activity!* 

SHALOM Meeting - Wed, November 15<sup>th</sup> 7 PM Holy Trinity Center Holy Family Parish will participate again this year in the SHALOM Ministry.

We will proved meals and shelter for two weeks - January 7<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>.

Any parishioner or group of parishioners who wish to participate with meal preparation, service or clean up are invited to attend this meeting. Preparation, service and clean up are divided among several volunteers. If you have any question, please call the parish office 422-0602.

## Surgery

Thanks for all the prayers and good wishes for my back surgery (L3 and L4) on November 6<sup>th</sup>. All went well and recovery is on



schedule. The hardest part was hearing my neurosurgeon, Dr. William Tobler at Mayfield, tell me that my back problems are caused by old age. But he did say no housework for four weeks. I said, "Luckily, no problem." Fr. Civille

## Welcome Back Fr. Rob Jack!

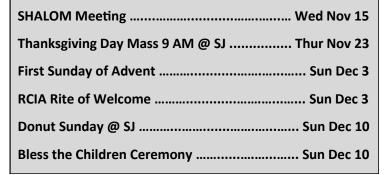
Fr. Rob will be the presider at all of our Masses this weekend.



Please join us for Coffee, Juice and Donuts in the St. John Undercroft after the 10:30 AM Mass today.



## COMING EVENTS





#### HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday and Sunday - November 11 and 12			
4:30 PM Mass SJ	Cecilia Elieff - Birthday Remembrance		
9:00 AM Mass HT	Terry Brown - Anniversary Rem.		
10:30 AM Mass SJ	Dr. Omer Hurlburt II - Birthday Rem.		

#### Monday, November 13

12:10 PM Communion Service HT

#### Tuesday, November 14

- 8:15 AM Mass J23 Grace Vitori Anniversary Remembrance Wednesday, November 15
- 12:10 PM Mass HT Tony DePalma Anniversary Rem.

#### Thursday, November 16

12:10 PM Mass HT Nancy Stabler Stamper - Birthday Rem.

#### Friday, November 17

- 8:00 AM Mass HT Mary Ann Conradt
- 12:10 PM Communion Service HT

#### Saturday, November 18

- 8:00 AM Mass HT Darryl Boothe
- 4:30 PM Mass SJ Louis Knezich

Sunday, November 19 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM Mass HT Judy Elieff - Wedding Anniversary Rem. 10:30 AM Mass SJ Sons of Italy Memorial Mass

## Weekly Collections Stewardship

Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> \$28,393

Thank you for your generous stewardship!

## MINISTERS NEXT WEEK

Nov 18/19	4:30 PM SAT	9:00 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN
Eucharistic	Paul Presta 1B	Mary Ann Long 1B	
Ministers	Don Brooks 2B	Susan Combs 2B	
	Michelle Brooks 3B	Kathleen Wourms 3B	
	Marilyn Kowalczyk 1C	Barb VonderHaar 1C	Sons of Italy
	Pat Montgomery 2C	Alice Brown 2C	Volunteers
	Carolyn Kraft 3C	Lee Ann Glick 3C	
	Dawn Pickerill 4C	Marlene Ruwe 4C	
Lectors	Charlie Disney	Greg Wells	
	Jennifer James	Tami Wells	
Servers	Dick Montgomery	Hannah Dwenger	Don Accurso
	Mary Barlage	Nathan Dwenger	Matt Volle
Greeters	Ann Fishbaugh D1	Marilyn Abbott D1	Sons of Italy
	Phoebe Pearce D1	Donna Kramer D2	Volunteers

## **Daily Scripture Readings**

Mon: Wis 1:1-7 / Lk 17:1-6 Tues: Wis 2:23—3:9 / Lk 17:7-10 Wed: Wis 6:1-11 / Lk 17:11-19 Thurs: Wis 7:22b—8:1 / Lk 17:20-25 Fri: Wis 13:1-9 / Lk 17:26-37 Sat: Rom 16:3-9,16,22-27 / Lk 16:9-15 Sun: Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 / 1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30

#### **In Your Prayers Remember**

Dave Bruggeman at Atrium this week.

## Going into the hospital or rehab? Homebound or know a parishioner



who is? Please call us 422-0602 and let us know! We need your help in ministering to parishioners who are ill or in need!

## Dropping Your Land Line?

Please call the parish office 422-0602 so that we can update our records. Thanks!

#### **Health Ministry:**

#### Did You Remember to Change the Batteries in Your Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors?



Everyone knows to turn clocks back an hour to the appropriate new time. But there's one more crucial task that should also be completed with every anniversary of turning the clocks: changing the batteries in smoke alarms, too. Since 1988 Energizer and the International Association of Fire Chiefs have worked to get the word out: When you change the clock for daylight saving time, take the time to also change the batteries in smoke alarms and smoke detectors. This isn't just a feel-good idea, folks. It could save your life. Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in a home fire nearly in half. And the reason almost 71% of those smoke alarms failed to operate was because they had missing, disconnected or dead batteries. So if you didn't get to changing your batteries last week, don't make excuses and don't wait to take care of it in the spring. Change those batteries today! www.today.com

#### The Books of Remembrance

Everyone is invited to add the names of their deceased loved ones in the *Books of Remembrance*, which will be



in both churches for the entire month of November.

## **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** November 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

November 12<sup>th</sup> - Liturgy of the Word

#### 11:30 PM St. John Rectory Class forming during this Period of Inquiry!

If you're interested in becoming Catholic, or you know someone who may be interested, please contact the parish office 422-0602.

## Msgr. McNary 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Meeting

The K of C 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly meeting is set for this Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Council Hall.



#### **Catholic Campaign for Human Development Special Collection Next Weekend**

Your donation helps community organizations change existing structures of poverty and build an economy based on justice and human dignity. Please use the special envelope included in the November packet. Thank you for your generosity.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society



Thanks to everyone for your continued support and contributions, with which the

SVDP volunteers were able to assist our needy neighbors again this past month. Here are the October numbers:

#### **SVDP Pantry Food Donations**

- 119 Households totaling 321 people
- 64 senior citizens 157 adults 100 children

## **SVDP Help Line Utility Bill Assistance**

17 households - Duke 40 households - Water

## **SVDP Furniture Ministry**

- 24 home visits to assess needs
- 30 deliveries of furniture moved to new homes
- 20 donations of furniture picked up for new homes

## **SVDP Prison Ministry**

10 Butler County and 60 Middletown City Jail inmates participated in Ministry Sessions.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY & CONTINUED SUPPORT! 5TH SUNDAY SVDP COLLECTIONS OCCUR FOUR TIMES A YEAR.** 

## Introductions to Sunday Readings

by Bishop Ken Untener, in collaboration with Catherine Haven and Fr. Bill Taylor First Reading - Wisdom 6:12-16



The book of Wisdom was written by a teacher who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, a center for Greek philosophy in the ancient world. Fearful that the Jewish people might be captivated by this secular thought, the author contrasts it with the true wisdom of God. In today's passage, wisdom is personified as a women. Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Paul wrote his first letter to the Thessalonians some 20 years before any of the Gospels were written. In the passage we're about to hear, we have the earliest written teaching about the resurrection. Some of the Thessalonians were worried about those who had already died. They expected the second coming of Christ very soon, and were concerned that those who had died would miss out on the resurrection.

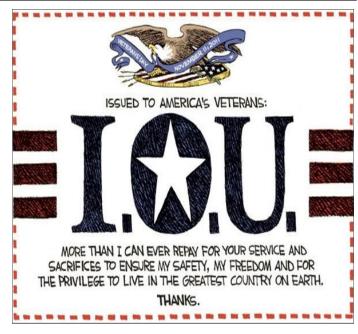
#### Sons of Italy Annual Memorial Mass 10:30 AM Next Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>



## Instead of a Featured SVDP Outreach Ministry Need for this Month -



We ask you to take a tag from the Giving Tree and purchase a gift for a family in need, or for the child of an inmate in prison, or make a gift of yourself by visiting a homebound parishioner.



Veterans Day - Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

## **SVDP Outreach Ministry Report**

November is the month that we give thanks to God for all the gifts He has given us. We think about our family and friends and the generosity with which God has graced us. His intention in sending His blessing is for us to pass it on. Here at the Outreach Ministry we try to do that every day, both to those in need who ask for our help and to the donors who are proud of the fact that their unneeded items will make someone else's life easier. The Outreach Ministry members don't do this for notoriety, but because they are following Jesus' example. We truly value the support we receive from Holy Family Parish and its members. From the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday collections to the donated items dropped off at the parish office, all of you are anonymously giving from your heart to help others. At this Thanksgiving time we extend our appreciation to you. We couldn't do it alone.

## Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Holy Family Parish St. Vincent de Paul was recently blessed with three special contributions:

- October Fifth Sunday Collection \$5,785. Thank you very much to our Parish Members.
- Annual Holiday Donation- \$5,943. Thank you very much to McGraw Kokosing Management and Employees. (Employees' contributions were matched by the Corporation - \$2 for every \$1 donated by the employee.)

• Annual Thanksgiving Basket Donation - \$775. *Many thanks to our friends at First United Methodist Church.* Our work in the Middletown Community is continuing and the support we receive from our parish members, from good corporate citizens like the employees and management of McGraw Kokosing, and our fellow Christians at First United Methodist Church is a blessing. Deacon John Lyons / SVDP TREASURER

Kelly McCoy and Ray Kelly\* \*Holy Family Parish St. Vincent de Paul volunteers

## This Weekend is National Donor Sabbath!

National Donor Sabbath is observed annually two weekends before Thanksgiving, from Friday through Sunday. All major religions support organ, eye and tissue donation as one of the highest expressions of love, compassion and generosity. Rich or poor, old or young, we are given the opportunity to give the gift of life to others. Organ, eye and tissue donation helps restore health, sight and mobility. Consider giving hope to the more than 120,000 people in need of lifesaving organ transplants and the hundreds of thousands



more in need of corneas and tissue. Go to www.donatelife.net to register your decision to Pass Life On. Please call parishioner and Donate Life Ambassador Andy Golembiewski 424-0401 if you have any questions.







## Why Not Take a Turn Carrying Up the Gifts?

Participate without getting on a schedule! Find the Offertory Procession book in the back of the churches. If the square for the Mass you're attending is blank, then we need you!



Just write in your name so that the ushers know that you're carrying up the gifts. It's that easy!

St. John XXIII All Saints Day School Mass 8th Graders dressed as and shared the stories of the saints they've chosen for their Confirmation.



## Alter High School Open House Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 1- 4 PM



Please come and visit the Alter Campus Internet and see all we have to offer. For more information go to <u>alterhs.org/openhouse</u>. Learn how your Ed Choice dollars will work for you at Alter High School.

Check out our NURSERY located in the St. John Center for the 10:30 AM Mass. Parish teens babysit and the children really have fun! Check it out!





by Dawn Pickerill / Principal

#### TRADITIONAL VALUES. EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION.

St. John XXIII represents 150 years of Catholic Education dedicated to encouraging and developing well-rounded, self-confident and compassionate children and young adults who lead successful, mindful, service-driven lives. Our school community is the foundation on which our core principles of faith and hard work bind us together as a family.

If you are interested in a Catholic education that provides a challenging, structured and thoughtful learning environment led by highly qualified and experienced teachers, contact Principal Dawn Pickerill at 424-1196 for a meeting and a tour of the school.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Our Annual Fund will kick off on November 28<sup>th</sup> with #GivingTuesday. All monies collected on this day (up to \$80,000) will be matched. Last year we were able to collect that amount on this one day, and we are hopeful that with your generosity, we will be able to do that again this year.

Our Book Fair will be open to the public on Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from noon until 8:30 p.m., and again on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 a.m. until noon. In addition to books, a variety of gift items will be for sale.

#### SERVICE PROJECTS

We currently have two service projects going on at St. John XXIII Catholic School. The first is organized by the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade buddies. These classes have teamed up and are collecting non-perishable food items from the entire school and community for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. These will be given to St. Vincent de Paul Pantry on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> for distribution at Thanksgiving.

For the second service project, our entire buddy program (Preschool and  $4^{th}$  grade, Kindergarten and  $5^{th}$  grade,  $1^{st}$  grade and  $6^{th}$  grade,  $2^{nd}$  grade and  $7^{th}$  grade, and  $3^{rd}$  grade and  $8^{th}$  grade) has selected a family to sponsor for Christmas. Together they will collect funds to purchase items on the families wish list. It brings us such joy to see the true spirit of Christmas alive in the hearts of our students. Congratulations to the Holy Family 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Volleyball Teams! Both teams finished as Runners-Up in the Greater Cincinnati CYO Volleyball Tournament. Terrific effort!!!!



**Empty Bowls in Middletown Sat, November 18<sup>th</sup> 11 AM - 2 PM 3907 Central Ave** For \$15 attendees will enjoy a simple meal of soup, bread, dessert, and drink, learn about hunger and food insecurity among older adults in the community, and select a handcrafted ceramic bowl to take home as a reminder of older adults in need in our community. Proceeds from Empty Bowls Middletown benefit Central Connections' home delivered meal programs that provide more than 11,500 nutritious meals monthly to food-insecure older adults in Middletown, Monroe, Madison Twsp, Franklin, Trenton, Hunter, Liberty Twsp, and West Middletown.

This article appeared in the Butler County Historical Society newsletter - submitted by Winnie Nardiello

#### A Veteran's Story - Father James McNary

When war was declared in April of 1917 Father James McNary was the pastor of St. Mary's in Hamilton. On September 20, 1917 the first large group of Hamilton boys were given a massive send off by the city with a stirring speech by Father McNary, described by the *Hamilton Evening Journal* as "filled with inspiring thoughts and ringing with true Americanism." In July of 1918, Father McNary enlisted in the Army and was quickly sent to France as a chaplain. His many letters home, some printed in the *Hamilton Evening Journal*, painted a vivid picture of war. On October 10, 1918 Father McNary wrote of his experience at the front, beginning with a four-hour nighttime march from camp. He approached the trenches "…amidst the most terrible barrage, which began at 1 a.m. To my mind it COMBINED ALL THE TERRORS OF ALL THE THUNDER AND LIGHTENING STORMS I have ever been through or expect to go through in



my life... The barrage continued until 5:30 and we rested in trenches for a time, during which I said mass...at 7 over the top I went with my company. We were in support and crawled along, dodging enemy shells of gas and shrapnel, machine guns shooting at 500 per minute, snipers then in case all else failed. For two days we did that and then we took the front line and it was our privilege to capture Mountfaucon..." To his own surprise, Father James McNary, (subsequently Monsignor McNary) survived his harrowing wartime encounters and returned to Butler County, where he served as priest of Holy Trinity parish in Middletown for 37 years.



**OUR DOORS ARE OPEN:** No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your age, race, background, personal history, etc., no matter what your own self-image — you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at Holy Family Parish. Our doors are open!

# Holy Family Parish

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#### Members

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Jeff Gephart	Dale Gerber	
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Ray Kelly	John Lyons	
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Carole Orth		
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Baptism Preparation Class - These classes are held quarterly: March, June, September and December. The actual date, time and location will be announced in the weekly bulletin. Please call the parish office to register. Baptisms - Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism.

**Becoming Catholic** - Please call the parish office to find out more about the RCIA process.

Bulletin Deadline - Submit announcements in hard copy or to monica@holyfamilymiddletown.com by noon Tuesday.

Hospitalization or Death in the Family - Please notify the pastor as soon as possible by calling the parish office.

Marriages - Couples wishing to be married must set the date with the pastor at least six months in advance.

Nursery - The Nursery is available in the St. John Center during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass.

Parish Religious Education Program - Preschool: Sundays 10:15 - 11:30 AM and K - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 PM. **St. John XXIII Catholic School** - Parish school for Preschool - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - www.stiohn23school.org.





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