# Mass Intentions for Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

#### Monday, Nov 2

6:50 am All Souls Day Intentions 12:00 pm All Souls Day Intentions

## Tuesday, Nov 3

6:50 am Gene Geeza by Edward Ghilardi

# Wednesday, Nov 4

6:50 am Charles & Helen Klem by family

# Thursday, Nov 5

6:50 am Frances Ghilardi by family

#### Friday, Nov 6

6:50 am Joseph P. Ghilardi by Eleanor Ghilardi

#### Saturday, Nov 7

4:00 pm Robert Grasso by family

# Sunday, Nov 8

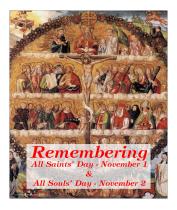
8:00 am Carl C. and Harry Bianchi by Joseph Albiero 10:00 am Antoinette & Carlo Sebastianelli by daughter

# Remembering the Recently Deceased

Please pray for the sick, suffering and recently deceased: Josephine Suthers, Claire Magistro and Barbara Mellado.

| Collection for Last Weekend: October 25, 2015 |             |
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| 358 Sunday Offertory Envelopes                | \$ 5,307.00 |
| Sunday Cash Offerings                         | 174.00      |
| 11 Other operating income envelopes           | 97.00       |
| Total operating income                        | \$5,578.00  |

We sincerely thank all who are consistently using their regular offertory envelopes or prearranged bank checks to support the work and mission of Sacred Heart Parish. We also commend those who are being conscientious to their commitments through our Parish Care Campaign.



This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained the beatific vision of heaven. On Monday, All Soul's Day, we commemorate the souls of the faithful departed, remembering all our beloved departed family members and friends. As Catholics we celebrate these

days in the belief that, as one body in Christ, we are still in spiritual communion with those who have died and are either with God in heaven or being purified in purgatory. And so for the happy repose of our loved ones still detained, five Masses will be celebrated during the month of November.

Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our loved ones in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, they will rise with him on the last day. Merciful Lord, turn toward us and listen to our prayers. Open the gates of paradise to your servants and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith until we meet again in Christ to be with you and our loved ones forever. We ask this through Christ our Lord Amen.

# In Remembrance of Our Faithful Departed

Please keep in prayer those who have been buried from Sacred Heart Church since All Souls Day of last year. Mary A. Ghilardi, Edward Adams, Thomas Krempasky, Ann Renaldi, Michael E. Magdon, Louis Mazzacco, Rebecca Sekelsky, Helen Cordelli, Lucy DiPasquale, Phyllis Ruby, Joseph R. Weston, Robert Bernatovich, Egisto Panettieri, Mark S. Bevilacqua, Margaret Yzkanin, Ann Peslak, Mary Ann Caruso, Eugene Piersimoni, John J. Jover, Yolanda Ciabocchi, Elizabeth Pompey, Vislovsky, John R. Taylor, Virgil R. Petrini, Paul Joseph Paparelli, John Paone, Mary Ann Egnotovich, Irene Ochal, Charles Klem, Richard Evans Sr., Christine Ghilardi, Joseph Neri, Elaine Berry, Gerald Pauletti, Irene Castellani, Rose Gilroy, John Kochis, and Josephine Suthers. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.....



On behalf of all who benefit from your generosity, Bishop Bambera and Msgr. Madus extend their gratitude to all parishioners who have already made their Diocesan Annual Appeal pledge. Every gift truly matters. As of October 25<sup>th</sup>, Sacred Heart Parish has passed our half way mark, receiving a total of \$24,835 in pledges and gifts from 159 of our parishioners, reaching 56.4% of our parish goal of \$44,000! We gratefully acknowledge our following new donors from the week of October 18th: Miss Jo Ann Berta, M/M Gary L. Blackledge Sr., M/M Vincent Bonaddio, M/M George J. Burak, M/M Joseph Ferretti, M/M Robert Galardi, M/M Gerald Gallo, M/M Thomas Jackson, Mrs. Marie Peters, M/M Nazzareno Poronsky, M/M Peter Setta, M/M Christopher Severs, Mr. Jude Stambone, Miss Patricia Warholic, M/M Joseph Weston Jr., M/M Duane Wrightson, and M/M Edward Zarnowski. We commend the additional parishioners who have submitted their pledges for the Diocesan Annual Appeal during in-pew commitment weekend last weekend. Their names will appear later.

#### First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



On Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held for private prayer and adoration from 7:20 am thru 12:00 pm. Please consider taking time this

week to be in quiet awe and wonder with our Eucharistic Lord. Why not sign up for a half hour so that the Blessed Sacrament is never left unattended during the exposition period, while others come and go at their convenience.

We thank all our business advertisers who place ads on the back of our weekly bulletin. This weekend we acknowledge **Mid-Valley Plumbing Supply**. See contact information on back page.

# WELCOME TO THE FAMILY

# **Welcoming New Parishioners**

We warmly welcome to our parish family our new parishioners since Sept. 5, 2015 ~ Eileen Soranno, John and Nancy Casarin, Barbara Cox and children Rylei and Cohen, Anthony and Kari Machelli, and daughters Mia and Gianna, David & Nichole Borusiewicz and sons Luke and Jake.

#### **Pro-Life News**

Planned Parenthood Scandal. Priests for Life is helping to lead the way in exposing to the public undercover videos showing new evidence that Planned Parenthood harvests and sells the body parts of unborn children. Priests for Life colleagues at the Center for Medical Progress has done the undercover work that has brought forward this new evidence. The sale of body parts is against federal and state law. Priests for Life first came to know of the sale of baby body parts in the late 1990's through their close collaboration with Mark Crutcher and Life Dynamics, which did the undercover work that first exposed this practice. Priests for Life has as their goal to hold Planned Parenthood accountable, to stop the sale of body parts, and to end abortion itself. To watch undercover video footage, go to <a href="https://www.priestsforlife.org/babybodyparts">www.priestsforlife.org/babybodyparts</a>.

#### **Pro-Life Rosary Vigil**

sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, is held on First Saturdays of the month outside the offices of Planned Parenthood, located at 316 Penn Ave., Scranton. At 10:30 am, the Rosary is prayed to end abortion.

## **Faithful Citizenship**

On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, please exercise your responsibility as faithful and conscientious citizens. Examine various sources of reliable information and evaluate the candidates and platforms that are in the running. Try to be clearly aware of "what" you are voting for and how it will enhance and protect the quality of life for those whose rights are being ignored and even trampled underfoot.

#### **Canadian Brass Ensemble**

Marywood University will present one of the most popular brass ensembles in the world, Canadian Brass, on Saturday, November 7, at 7:30 p.m., in the Sette La Verghetta Center for Performing Arts. From Baroque, to Dixieland, to new compositions and arrangements, and formal classical played with lively dialogue and theatrical effects, Canadian Brass performs with the utmost dedication and skill. Tickets: General Admission, \$15; Reserved Seats, Students, \$5 (high school/college (ID required). Order tickets online at marywood.universitytickets.com or contact Box Office at (570) 348-6211, ext. 6097. Cash only at the door.

## The Connection between Vocations & All Saints Day

Today's readings are about the saints in heaven-and what they were like on earth in order to reach heaven. What does this have to do with vocations?

Every vocation is about bringing souls to heaven. We often

talk about "vocation" as "God's call". There is another way of phrasing this: Your vocation is the answer to the question "Who is God calling me to bring to heaven?"

Those called to the vocation of marriage are to be "help mates" to each other on the path to heaven. They are also the primary educators of their children, especially in matters of our Faith.

Single people, too, says the Catechism, "live their situation in the spirit of the Beatitudes, serving God and neighbor in exemplary fashion" (CCC 1658).

Religious brothers and sisters seek to live the beatitudes in a radical way, devoting their whole lives to the pursuit of holiness. They help bring others to heaven by their prayer, service, and example.

It is relatively easy to see how priests help bring others to heaven. Priests bring souls into a state of grace through

Baptism and Reconciliation. They preach and teach about virtue, holiness, and the truths of faith that illuminate the road to heaven. Most importantly, priests bring Jesus to others through the Eucharist-which the Church sees as an echo of the heavenly liturgy described in the first reading from Revelation.

All Saints Day reiterates the most basic facts of Christianity: that we on earth are called to live as Jesus taught us, most especially by embracing the beatitudes, so that we can live with Him forever in heaven. Who will you bring with you to heaven? When you answer that question, you have found your vocation.

#### **National Vocation Awareness Week**

Today begins National Vocation Awareness Week, which was instituted by the U.S. Bishops in 1976, and is now celebrated the first week of November. This year, the beginning of the week falls on All Saints Day- a happy coincidence, because a vocation, in its fullest sense, is our path to heaven and sainthood.

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations- and teaching young people how to discern God's call- is a serious but joyful duty.

During this week, please pray about how God is calling you to live your vocation more deeply. Encourage the young people in your life-children, grandchildren, students, and friends-to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

# **Pope Francis on Vocations**

Vocations come from communities: "A vocation is a fruit that ripens in a well cultivated field of mutual love that becomes mutual service, in the context of an authentic ecclesial life. No vocation is born of itself or lives for itself. A vocation flows from the heart of God and blossoms in the good soil of faithful people, in the experience of fraternal love." Listen! "Have you sometimes heard the voice of the Lord

Listen! "Have you sometimes heard the voice of the Lord through a desire, restlessness, inviting you to follow Him more closely? Have you had any desire to be disciples of Jesus? Ask Jesus what He wants from you and be brave!"