

# 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## November 4 & 5, 2017

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday

5:00 PM For Barbara Cadden – 12<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary – by family & friends

#### Sunday

8:00 AM For the Parishioners of St. Brigid's

10:00 AM For Billy Iannotti – Birthday  
Remembrance – by grandmother,  
Louisa

#### Wednesday

7:30 AM For Hope Murphy by her daughter –  
14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

#### Thursday

7:30 AM For Fernande Rochon – by her son -  
21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

#### Next Saturday

5:00 PM For all departed Veterans

#### Next Sunday

8:00 AM For Al Pietros by his son, Steven

10:00 AM For Vito DeLuca by his wife, Rose

### **Parish Stewardship**

Weekend of October 28 & 29, 2017

Budget Collection	\$2,271.00
October Monthly to Date	\$1,076.00
Annual Collection to date	\$6,572.00
# of Budget Envelopes Used	123

Thank you to those of you who make up your weekly offertory donations when you are not able to attend Mass on a previous weekend.

### **Book of Life**

Once again, this year we have our *Book of Life*. It is available for you to write in the names of deceased relatives and friends you wish the parish to pray for throughout the month of November. Those of you who have written names on the All Souls envelopes may also write the names in the Book if you wish. The All Souls envelopes will be placed near the *Book* as well. These names will be remembered at all the Masses throughout the month.

### **Religious Education News**

Religious Education classes every Tuesday. Grades 1 through 5 meet from 3:30-5:15 PM and Grades 6 through 9 meets from 6:30-7:30 PM.

**First Communion Candidates and their parents** need to attend the 10:00 AM Mass next Sunday to celebrate the "Rite About Listening"

A **Parents' Meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> Communion** will take place after the 10:00 AM Mass in the church hall.

### **Annual Parish Bazaar**

Our annual bazaar that is being held on Saturday, November 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 19th from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in our church hall will have vendors with an array of home made crafts,,,popular knitted items, jewelry, holiday wood craft articles, hand made cards,rosaries, journals, home made pastries, wine corking, theme baskets, silent auction and a food court serving hot Italian sandwiches, pizza, drinks, miscellaneous snacks and hot dogs.

**SATURDAYS FEATURE; We are happy to announce that Kangaroo Joey from the new popular Launch Trampoline will be visiting us on Saturday to greet the children and adults. Bring along your children, neighbors, friends and camera to come and join the fun from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Free ADMISSION!**

### **Sharing Our Warmth with the Homeless**

Throughout October & November, we will once again be collecting new gloves, new mittens, new hats and new scarves. Please place all items in the collection baskets near the tabernacle in the sanctuary. Call Sandy Cerrito @ 944-0437 for more information on how to make this a Parish success once again this year.

## **Father Bob's Ramblings**

With the waning days of Ordinary Time comes an expectation of the waning of history, as our weekend liturgies turn their focus to the revelation of God's judgment. The prophet Malachi (First Reading), among the last of the ancient Hebrew prophets, gives us a taste of those end times. He imagines the God of Israel as a great king who judges most harshly those who are entrusted with leading the people in living up to the covenant that is the Commandments. Especially condemned are those who judge with "partiality," in other words, those who favor themselves or their friends. It seems corrupt people have been around for some time!

Jesus' equally harsh words in the Gospel seem directed only to the religious leadership of his time. For a number of weekends now we have been hearing Jesus call them "Hypocrites," but his words apply to any who claim privilege for themselves based on their religious affiliation. Now Jesus speaks to the crowds and his disciples, instructing them to do as they say, but don't do as they do. The true test of faith, at least according to Jesus, is not outward displays of piety but humility.

Practicing what we preach, then, seems to be the key today, and so we pray in our opening prayer to "offer you right and praiseworthy service" so "that we may receive the things you have promised."

Today at noon-time we celebrate our Annual Memorial Mass for all families of parishioners who were buried from our parish over the past year and for the families of parishioners who have also lost a loved one during the year. May we keep them all in mind at whatever Mass you attend this weekend.



## **Annual Veterans' Memorial Mass**

On Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, at the 5 pm mass, we will celebrate our annual Memorial Mass for Veterans. Veterans and their families/friends are asked to sit in the first five rows on the left side of the church facing the altar. If you know any veterans who may be interested in our ceremonies, please invite them to celebrate with us. The theme for this year's liturgy will be "Honoring Service Chaplains."



## **2018 20-Week Club**

Memberships are now on sale. Prices are \$3.00 per week or \$60.00 for 20 weeks. This year's club is the same ticket price and same number of winners as last year. Two winners will be chosen every other week for 30 weeks. Weekly raffles begin on November 12<sup>th</sup> with the last drawing on March 25<sup>th</sup>. Please consider taking out a membership and selling some to your relatives and friends. This is the main fundraiser for Saint Brigid Parish.

After an initial dues payment, further payments may be made by using the *20-Week Club Payment Envelope* that can be found at the Membership sign-up desk in the foyer of the church. Simply fill in the information and drop the envelope in the collection basket.

## **School Open House**

**St. Patrick Academy** will be hosting our *Open House* on Sunday, November 5, from 3:00 to 5:00pm, at 244 Smith St., Providence. All students and parents interested in applying for grades 9-12 for the 2018-19 school year are invited to attend. For more information, call 401-421-9300.