

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 18 & 19, 2017

Mass Intentions

Saturday

5:00 PM For Mary LaTorre by Peggi & Peter LaTorre – 17th Anniversary

Sunday

8:00 AM For the Parishioners of Saint Brigid's

10:00 AM For Jennie Albanese & Maria Broccoli by Donna & Peter Perry

Wednesday

7:30 AM For Eleanor Placella by her husband, Michael

Next Saturday

5:00 PM For Marie Montecalvo by the 20-Week Club Committee

Next Sunday

8:00 AM For Alma Rippa by the Parishioners of Saint Brigid's

10:00 AM For the Parishioners of Saint Brigid's

Please NOTE: There will be no Thanksgiving Eve Mass

Parish Stewardship

Weekend of November 11 & 12, 2017

Budget Collection	\$1,680.00
November Monthly to Date	\$922.00
Annual Collection to date	\$7,492.00
# of Budget Envelopes Used	93

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.

Annual Collection

Anyone who has not yet contributed to our Annual Collection may give your donation any week through December.

Annual Parish Bazaar

The Annual Parish Bazaar continues after all the Masses this weekend. Why not stop down, enjoy some refreshments, walk around, buy some beautiful gifts, take some chances on all the great baskets and sign up for the silent auctions. You will not be disappointed!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is looking for new members to help make shawls for the sick and sick at heart. Recently, we lost some very prolific members to death, illness and a nursing home. The last healing mass attracted 70 people needing shawls and thankfully we had enough. However, our inventory is greatly diminished. If you have any talent for knitting or crocheting, we pray you consider joining us in this very important ministry.

Calling New Altar Servers

Any girl or boy currently in grade 4 and up who wishes to be an altar server in our parish is asked to give their name to Fr. Bob. A Registration Form needs to be completed with permission from parents. Training will take place in the near future.

Monthly Blood Pressure Screening

The Parish Nurses will be conducting the monthly blood pressure screening after all masses this weekend in the Sacristy.

Father Bob's Ramblings

On Thursday of this week, we all stop and take time to celebrate Thanksgiving Day. Thanksgiving Day has become one of our nation's most venerable holiday. People gather from near and far to be with those whom they love the most. It is probably the closest to an American Holyday that we have.

The word *Eucharist* means "thanksgiving." On Thanksgiving Day, we share a great feast, but this holiday is not really about and the fixings. It is about family and community; a welcome reminder that we are not alone, and that the good things we have are all gifts of God. We remember that the pilgrims who prayed and feasted together on the first Thanksgiving in 1621 survived in large part due to the kindness and generosity of the native peoples who welcomed them and helped them through the difficult early days on the shores of their new land.

We, too, remember the kindness and generosity of so many people in our own lives. Those many who help us through difficult times during the year; those people who stand by us when things get rough; those people who pray for our well-being; and for those many who do things for us that we take for granted.

As we gather with those whom we love on Thursday to enjoy wonderful company and a wonderful meal, may we join in giving thanks to our God for all the good gifts God has showered upon us as individuals and as a parish community.

Honey and I wish all of you and your loved ones a very Happy Thanksgiving.



Giving Tree Ministry

Our Annual Giving Tree Ministry begins next weekend and will continue through December 16/17. This year's donations will once again be given to the children at the William D'Abate School, 60 Kossuth Street, Providence, RI. They have 406 poor and disabled children in grades K through 5.

2018 20-Week Club

Memberships continue to be on sale. Prices are \$3.00 per week or \$60.00 for 20 weeks. Two winners will be chosen every other week for 30 weeks. Our weekly raffles begin this Sunday, November 19th with the drawing of three winners and the last drawing will be on March 25th.

Beginning the *1st weekend in December*, 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.

Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

December 23rd & 24th

- Saturday - 5:00 PM
- Sunday - 9:00 AM

Christmas Eve

- Sunday - 4:00 PM

Christmas Day

- Monday - 9:00 AM

December 30th & 31st

- Saturday - 5:00 PM
- Sunday - 9:00 AM

New Year's Eve

- Sunday - 4:00 PM

New Year's Day

- Monday - 9:00 AM