

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

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### **TODAY: 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jeremiah 31:7-9  
Hebrews 5:1-6  
Mark 10:46-52

### **Next Sun: All Saints**

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14  
1 John 3:1-3  
Matthew 5:1-12



**OUR FOOD DRIVE NEEDS YOUR HELP!** – We hope to collect enough food to assemble 35 food packages for families in our parish who would welcome our assistance. Please consider a donation of the following items: rice, red beans (canned or dried), black beans (canned or dried), Parmalat Milk, canned fruit, canned vegetables. We are also seeking donations of gift cards from either Stop and Shop, Shoprite or Key Food (these are the easiest markets for our families to access). Food items can be left in the vestibule of the Church. Food gift cards can be given to the parish secretary or one of the priests. Thank you for your support!

**INTRODUCTION TO IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY** –Fr. Roselli is giving a five-part series on the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits. The sessions will highlight the major spiritual insights of prayer and spirituality of St. Ignatius. The seminar will also give instruction on various forms of prayer that can be easily practiced in daily life. Each session will last only one hour -7 pm to 8 pm. **Our next class is Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**, and will continue the following Mondays. You do not have to attend all the sessions! Classes are in the chapel.

**HALLOWEEN at ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY** – Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 6pm. to 9pm. – 300 Howard Avenue – Campus Center Gym – Free Admission – Trick-or-treating, face painting, free food, and many more fun Halloween activities.

**MASS for HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS** – Thursday – November 5 -7:30 p.m. – Blessed Sacrament Church – Celebrating the contribution of health care workers. The Mass will include the blessing of the "healing hands".

**REJECTING HATRED: FIFTY YEARS OF CATHOLIC DIALOGUE WITH JEWS and MUSLIMS** – Fordham University – Lincoln Center – November 10, 2015 at 6 p.m. Reverend Patrick J. Ryan, S.J. will offer a presentation on the past fifty years of interfaith dialogue between Catholics, Jews and Muslims. Responses will be offered by Magda Teter, Ph.D., Professor of Judaic Studies at Fordham, and Hussein Rashid, Ph.D., of Hofstra University. Free Admission. 113 West 60<sup>th</sup> Street -12<sup>th</sup> Floor – E. Gerald Corrigan Conference Center.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER** – Again, we thank all who contributed to the success of our Spaghetti Dinner. We made a profit of just over \$5,000. We are grateful for your support and for all the hard work that so many contributed to this event.

### **HOLIDAY FAIRS:**

**Eger Health Care Center** – Saturday – November 7<sup>th</sup> – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Assorted Foods, Hand-Made Articles, Bake Shoppe, Santa and Toys. Raffles. 140 Meisner Avenue.

**Church of St. Ann** – Sunday – November 15<sup>th</sup> – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Vendors wanted. Tables are \$50 each. Contact Janice Font (646) 258-7281. St. Ann's – 125 Cromwell Avenue.

### **HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES:**

**Notre Dame Academy** – Sunday – November 1 – 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. – All Girls School – 134 Howard Avenue

**St. Peter's Boys High School** – Sunday – November 1 – 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. – 200 Clinton Avenue.

**MASSES FOR YOUR DECEASED LOVED ONES** – If you wish to have your deceased loved ones remembered in the Masses during the month of November, there are envelopes available in the entrance to the church.

**RUN FOR THE FEAST of OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** – Every year, there is a run on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12<sup>th</sup>. The run starts at the ferry terminal at 5:00 p.m. and concludes at the Church. Mass in Spanish follows at 7:30 p.m. All participants receive a certificate and a medal. If you would like to participate, please register in the parish office.

**A PRAYER FOR TODAY AND EVERYDAY** - COME, SPIRIT OF FORTITUDE, give me courage and determination, that in all distress and uncertainty, I may with a calm and confident spirit remain strong in faith, patient in hope, and constant in love. *Amen*

**WEEKLY OFFERING:** October 18<sup>th</sup> – \$3,124; World Mission Sunday - \$953. Thank you for your support of our parish!

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**PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY** - *Prayer for Priests:* Lord God, most holy, we approach you in gratitude for your holy ordained priesthood. You have called these men to be set apart and to shepherd your people, as you shepherd your entire church. We pray for them in their daily work. Grant to them an increase in spiritual gifts and grace, so they may be prepared for the tasks at hand. Lead them not into temptation and protect them from the grasp of the evil one. It is through the sacraments they confer that we encounter the divine in a real and profound way. May your church never lose sight of these, your special sons, and may we, the body of Christ, never fail to cherish the gift of their lives, which they have freely given to you and your holy church. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Your Son. Amen. –Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co



**Weekly Mass Intentions**



**Saturday October 24**

8:00am- ~ For Caterina Vitale's Health *Offered by:* Tony Raisley  
 5:00pm- † William M. Frickenstein *Offered by:* Family  
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

**Sunday October 25**

8:30am- ~ In Thanksgiving *Offered by:* MaryAnn Ugbo  
 10:00am- † Jorge Hernandez & Luis Benavides *Offered by:* Family  
 11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions  
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions  
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

**Monday October 26**

8:00am- † Aroma *Offered by:* Linford & Lorna Smith  
 12:05pm- ~ For Ralph Frulio's Health *Offered by:* Frulio Family

**Tuesday October 27**

8:00am- † *Offered by:*  
 12:05pm - † Rudolf Ostry *Offered by:* Marina

**Wednesday October 28**

8:00am- † *Offered by:*  
 12:05pm- † *Offered by:*

**Thursday October 29**

8:00am- † *Offered by:*  
 12:05pm- † *Offered by:*

**Friday October 30**

8:00am- † *Offered By:*  
 12:05pm- † *Offered By:*

**Saturday October 31**

8:00am- ~Special Intentions of Christian Pepo *Offered by:* mom, Joyce Pepo  
 5:00pm- † Milagros Morales *Offered by:* Joe & Nina Lopez  
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

**Sunday November 1**

8:30am- † Margherita & Geraldo Santangelo *Offered by:* daughter, Rafaella  
 10:00am- † Anna & Charles Urwin *By:* sister, Yolanda & niece, Lynn  
 11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions  
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions  
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

**Weekly Memorials**

Altar Bread & Wine	~ †
Tabernacle Candle	~ † John & Anne Obermayer
Memorial Candles	~ † <i>Offered by:</i> Family
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**Liturgical Minster's Schedule NOVEMBER 2015**

**Saturday 5:00 p.m.**

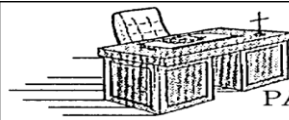
*Lectors:* Linda Graves & Angelo Sabella (*carry Gospel Book*)  
*E. M.:* Linford Smith, Peg & Tom Ventrudo

**Sunday 8:30 a.m.**

*Lector:* Joan Knighton & Linda Torres (*carry Gospel Book*) *Substitute:* Linda Torres  
*E.M.:* Diane Carbonaro, Theresa Contardo & MaryAnn Ugbo *Sub:* Delmeter Carey

**Sunday 10:00 a.m.**

*Lector:* Valerie Cappucci (*carry Gospel Book*) *Substitute.:* Victoria Garay  
*E. M.:* Alexis Crowdell, Thelma Washington & Mariana Zukowski *Sub:* Crescencia Pascua



FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK

**"The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy."** These words of the Psalmist invite us to reflect on our attitude toward life and toward God.

When was the last time that you reflected on the good things that God has done for you? Unfortunately, it is only natural for us as human beings to focus on what we do not have and so fail to appreciate what we, in fact, do have. The most precious gift that God has given us is the gift of life. Even if your life is hard right now, even if every day is a genuine struggle for you because of illness, age, or financial pressures, there is still reason to be grateful for the gift of life. Think of what gives you pleasure even though your life is hard. You wouldn't have those simple pleasures if you didn't have the gift of life! And think of how the gift of life enables you to be an ambassador of God to our world - through a call or visit to a lonely friend, through family gatherings in which you share love and friendship, through your prayers for others. God has done great things for us! God does great things for us! God will do great things for us! Let these three simple statements be our daily inspiration to savor the goodness of God.

We are filled with joy. St. Paul admonishes us: Rejoice always! I say rejoice! This is not a call for us to be naively and simplistically happy. It is rather a call to have a living relationship with God in which we experience deep within our hearts God's personal love for us and God's powerful presence with us in every moment of our lives. Our appreciation of God's love for us, and of God's presence with us, should fill us with joy. And that joy should be evident not only when times are good, but especially when times are bad. In those times, we are filled with joy because we know that the love of God will sustain because the love of God can never fail us.

May all of us today etch the words of the Psalmist on our hearts and let them be the first words that slip from our lips every morning: "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!"

**Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.**