



ALL SAINTS ~ November 1, 2015



See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. ~1 John 3:1

Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday October 31

8:00am- ~Special Intentions for Christian Pepo
5:00pm- † Milagros Morales
7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: mom, Joyce Pepo
Offered by: Joe & Nina Lopez

Sunday November 1

8:30am-† Margherita & Geraldo Santangelo
10:00am- † Anna & Charles Urwin
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: daughter, Rafaella
By: sister, Yolanda & niece, Lynn

Monday November 2

8:00am- † ALL SOULS
12:05pm- † ALL SOULS

Offered by:
Offered by:

Tuesday November 3

8:00am- † ALL SOULS
12:05pm - † ALL SOULS

Offered by:
Offered by:

Wednesday November 4

8:00am- † ALL SOULS
12:05pm-† ALL SOULS

Offered by:
Offered by:

Thursday November 5

8:00am- † ALL SOULS
12:05pm-† ALL SOULS

Offered by:
Offered by:

Friday November 6

8:00am- † ALL SOULS
12:05pm- † ALL SOULS

Offered By:
Offered By:

Saturday November 7

8:00am- † ALL SOULS
5:00pm- † ALL SOULS
7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: mom, Joyce Pepo
Offered by: Joe & Nina Lopez

Sunday November 8

8:30am- † ALL SOULS
10:00am- † ALL SOULS
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: daughter, Rafaella
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Altar

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine
Tabernacle Candle
Memorial Candles
Memorial Candles



~ Reyna Martinez
~ *Offered by:* Family
~ † Anna & Charles Urwin
~ *Offered by:* Family

Liturgical Minister's Schedule NOVEMBER 2015

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Joan Knighton & Linda Torres / Delmeter Carey (*carry Gospel Book*)

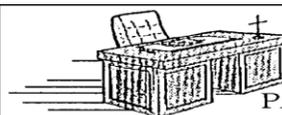
Substitute: Linda Torres

E.M.: Diane Carbonaro, Theresa Contardo & MaryAnn Ugboe *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

Today we celebrate the great feast of All the Saints and tomorrow we will commemorate all of our deceased loved ones and friends. Both feasts remind us of the reality of death but they also remind us of our hope of everlasting life.

Today's Feast of All the Saints is not intended to focus on those persons whom the Church has formally declared to be saints – persons of extraordinary virtue whom we are certain are now with God forever. Instead, today's feast is intended to focus on all the good women and men who we are confident enjoy eternal life with Jesus Christ because of their fidelity to him and to his Gospel in this life. I would hope all of us have our own personal litany of saints – persons whose lives were a reflection for us of the life of Christ. They did not have to be perfect persons, but rather simply persons who made real for us the compassion of Christ, the mercy of Christ, the welcome offered by Christ, the consolation of Christ, and the gentleness of Christ. I can easily call to mind a dozen persons who were definitely saints of God – persons whose lives were for me an incarnation once more of the God who revealed Himself in Jesus Christ. They are persons who continue to shape my life and who remind me that it is possible to live the values of Jesus Christ in our day-to-day lives and that to do so is a blessing for our world.

All Souls Day invites us to remember all those who have died. These men and women may not shine in our lives as reflections for us of the life of Christ, but we remember them as persons with whom we shared our lives and whom we hope God has embraced as God's own in death. We always have to remember that the mercy of God is greater than human sinfulness and God only desires life for us, not death. We would have to be very stubborn in our rejection of the way of God in order to lose the life that God wants each of us to enjoy. On All Souls Day, we ask God to take into his embrace all of his children who did the best that they could to live as sons and daughters of God. For each of us will need God's mercy as well!

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

TODAY: All Saints

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

Next Sun: 32nd Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17:10-16
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44



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!

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".

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – There will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Friday, November 6th, following the 12:05 p.m. Mass.

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 60th Street -12th Floor – E. Gerald Corrigan Conference Center.

SELL YOUR HANDIWORK! – On Sunday, November 22nd, from 1p.m. to 4p.m., we will be offering parishioners the opportunity to sell their hand-made goods in the school gymnasium. If you have crocheting, paintings, or jewelry, or other hand-crafted items that you would like to sell, you can reserve a table in the parish office. The donation for each table is \$10.00. For those of us looking for unique gift items, this would be a wonderful event to support.

RUN FOR THE FEAST of OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE – Every year, there is a run on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12th. 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.

HOLIDAY FAIRS:

Eger Health Care Center – Saturday – November 7th – 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 15th – 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 – TODAY - Sunday – November 1 – 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. – All Girls School – 134 Howard Avenue

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

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING - Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your servants do give you most humble and sincere thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all your people. We bless you for having created and sustained us, and for showering your many gifts upon us; but above all we bless, praise and thank you for your immeasurable love made powerfully manifest in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, who is, for us, our source of grace, and our hope for glory. And we ask that in your kindness, you give us a true appreciation of your abundant mercy so that our hearts may always be unreservedly thankful for all with which you gift and bless us. May our gratitude, our thanksgiving, find expression not only in our words of praise, but most especially in the works of our lives in which we seek to be true to the life of your beloved Son, our brother and Redeemer, Jesus Christ. It is in his most precious and holy name that we offer this prayer of thanks and it is in him, and through him, and by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit that we offer all praise and honor to you, God our Almighty Father. *Amen.*

WEEKLY OFFERING: October 25 - \$5,051. Thank you for your support of our parish!

WE LONG TO SEE GOD'S FACE - "Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face." This antiphon for today's responsorial psalm offers the focus for today's readings. As we on earth celebrate the triumph of all the saints—the ones officially canonized by the Church, and the countless others who have also reached heaven-- we add nothing to their glory. But we give ourselves reason to hope. We too long to see the face of God and believe that we can one day be counted among those whose robes, as John tells us in the book of Revelation, are washed "white in the blood of the Lamb." The passage from John's First Letter offers further assurance: we are God's children who will one day see God. But today's Gospel pulls us past longing and reassurance into action. Jesus clearly tells us what we must do to be counted among the saints. We must be poor in spirit, hungry for holiness, merciful, single-hearted, and peacemakers! Then we too will see the face of God. Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co