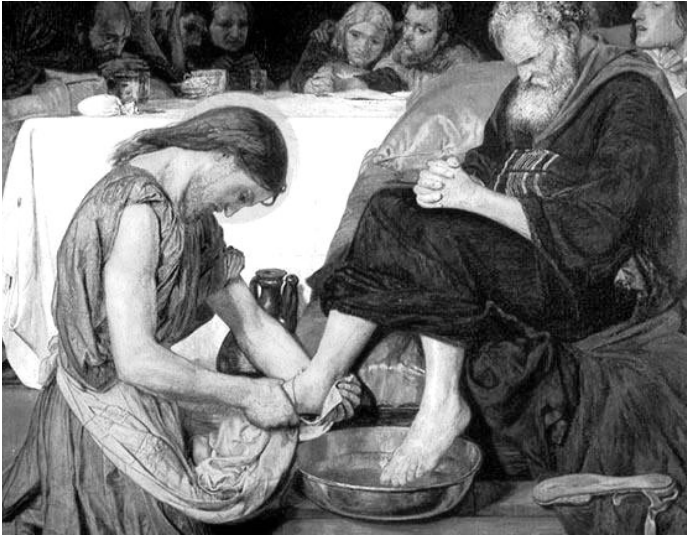


THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

November 5, 2017



"The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." (Mt 23:11-12)

ANNOUNCED MASSES

If you wish to bring up the gifts for a Mass being said for your loved one(s), please see the Usher before Mass.

Vigil (Sunday) Mass – November 4

5:00 PM Leon Pralatoski, Sr. – 6th Anniversary

Sunday, November 5 – Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Dimon and Robert Nicolosi and the Cirillo Family

10:15 AM St. Joseph's – Dante and Mary Cecchini

12:00 PM Joseph Etta

Monday, November 6 – Weekday

8:15 AM Kathryn Thorpe

Tuesday, November 7 – Weekday

8:15 AM Deceased Members of the Rapalje Family

Wednesday, November 8 – Weekday

8:15 AM Jack Harmon

Thursday, November 9 – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:15 AM All the People of the Parish

Friday, November 10 – Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:15 AM Frances Morteo

Saturday, November 11 – Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

8:15 AM Mae McComiskey

Vigil (Sunday) Mass – November 11

5:00 PM The Frisenda Family, Florence Weise and Santa Huston

Sunday, November 12 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Minerva Basch – 6th Anniversary

10:15 AM St. Joseph's – Garrett Byrnes

12:00 PM Michael Carbone

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Adult Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm in the choir loft. New members are welcome at all weekend Masses. If you would like to sing, please come to a rehearsal or call Jeffrey V. Lutz at 228-5612.

GRAYMOOR PRAYER GROUP

Increase your time in prayer. The Graymoor Prayer Group, following the Medjugorje prayer format, meets Thursday evenings, 7:30 to 8:30 pm at the Spiritual Life Building 6th floor Chapel. Prayer facilitator – Diana Roda: 424-4175.

PLEASE PRAY

For the sick and suffering, especially

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Lucy Abbatine | Joseph Nowakowski |
| Lucas Boesch | Brian O'Keeffe |
| Electra Bokanoski | Inelda O'Keeffe |
| Nicole Bokanoski | Luis Padilla |
| Robert Broughal | Rosario Padilla |
| The Brusco Family | Neilan Pierce |
| Kathleen Clements | Vivian Pisanelli |
| Ned Flanagan | Joan Rosado |
| Christopher Hartly | Phillip Rossignol |
| Joseph Hoda | Melissa Castro-Santos |
| Parker Jane Holloway | Miguel Santos |
| Joey Hyatt, Jr. | Laura Schiele |
| Elizabeth M. Hynes | Sally Singh |
| Geoff Lyons | Ralph Torres |
| Kathleen Manganello | Connie Tuomey |
| Mary Marion | Chris Ventura |
| Paula Martino | Frank Volkmann |
| Merna Mendelson | Lidia Watrud |
| Todd Morris | |

and for all our dearly departed, especially

Edward J. Cretelli

that the fighting among nations cease, that vengeance end and lasting peace begin, and for all of our prayers in our book of petitions.

MONTH'S MIND

Michael A. Peparo – October 12th

We remember our loved ones who have died one month following their passing on to eternal life.

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

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| Monday: | Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14 |
| Tuesday: | Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24 |
| Wednesday: | Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33 |
| Thursday: | Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22 |
| Friday: | Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8 |
| Saturday: | Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15 |
| Sunday: | Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13 |

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 29, 2017

DOUBLE COLLECTION – \$9,675

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS ATTENDANCE

| | Adults | Children | Total |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|
| Saturday, 5:00 pm | 106 | 2 | 108 |
| Sunday, 8:30 am | 95 | 26 | 121 |
| St. Joseph's Chapel Sunday, 10:15 am | 45 | 5 | 50 |
| Sunday, 12:00 pm | 94 | 23 | 117 |
| Total | 340 | 56 | 396 |

Banns of Marriage

MICHAEL THORPE & DANIELLE GRADONE

Wedding Date – November 11, 2017

Hope for Youth Foundation 2018 Hudson Valley Weather Calendars

The Knights of Columbus Loretto Council No. 536 will be selling the very popular Hope for Youth Foundation Weather Calendar after the Masses on November 11th and 12th.

Jim Witt will be available to sign the calendars. The cost for each calendar is \$8. The proceeds from this fundraiser will support both the Hope for Youth Foundation and the Council's Annual Scholarship Program.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Loretto Council #536

PHILIPSTOWN FOOD PANTRY DELIVERY

Sunday • November 26th

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food and other items, including diapers, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, cleaners and paper towels, for the Philipstown Food Pantry the weekend of November 25th and 26th.

Please leave donations in the cry room during that weekend. Thank you for your generosity!

Grand Knight – Bob Murphy

To join, email our Membership Director, John Hackney:
johnhackney@hotmail.com.

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CLASSES THIS WEEK

Wednesday, November 8th, 2017

Grade 1 – 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Grades 2 to 5 – 3:30 to 5:00 pm

Grades 6 to 8 – 6:30 to 8:00 pm

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Monday, November 13th • 9:00 am to 12 Noon
In the Parish Hall



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

At Our Lady of Loretto • Every Monday • 7:00-8:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament remains as it is with individual prayer time, but specific groups are being identified for certain Mondays so they can come together to focus in prayer for a specific intention...

- Nov 6 – The unborn and persecuted Christians
- Nov 13 – Our loved ones who have died
- Nov 20 – In thanksgiving
- Nov 27 – Our parish choir and musicians

TEENS: You know that longing in your heart?... you were created with it; that insatiable need to connect?... you were born with it.

What exactly is it, and what can you do about it? Come on the Day By Day Agape Retreat and find out.

Real teens giving real talks about real life and real love, supported and assisted by adult team and Friars. Great music, food and fun social breaks. Teen Boys: No matter where you are in your spiritual journey, satisfy your deepest longing

7:00 pm November 10 through 5:00 pm November 12

The cost is \$140 per person for materials, meals and lodging. All paperwork and non-refundable \$75 deposit must be received by the registration deadline of November 7th.

For more information visit our website: www.cyfm.org or give us a call. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Flocknote: CYFMGarrison.

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THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

Christians in Asia. That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Touring Tuesdays will begin again this year on November 14th, from 9-11 am or by appointment. Touring Tuesdays are Open House events, designed to introduce prospective families to the life-long benefits and value of a Catholic education. Reservations are required and can be made online at CatholicSchoolsNY.org or by calling our bilingual phoneline 646-794-2885. We invite you to see our schools in action!

Participating Schools in your area:

- St. Denis-St. Columba School, 849 Route 82, Hopewell Junction
- St. Mary School, 106 Jackson Street, Fishkill
- St. Mary's School, 2 Convent Avenue, Wappingers Falls
- St. Peter School, 12 Father Cody Plaza, Poughkeepsie
- St. Augustine School, 381 North Highland Avenue, Ossining
- St. Columbanus School, 122 Oregon Road, Cortlandt Manor
- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School, 1375 East Main Street, Shrub Oak
- St. James the Apostle School, 12 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel
- St. Patrick's School, 117 Moseman Road, Yorktown Heights
- The Ark and The Dove Preschool, 602 Beekman Road, Hopewell Junction
- St. Ann's Peas & Karrots, 16 Elizabeth Street, Ossining
- St. Lawrence O'Toole Early Childhood Learning Center, 11 Eastview Avenue, Brewster

This Week is National Vocation Awareness Week

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

O Lord, my God, You renew the Church in every age by raising up priests outstanding in holiness, living witnesses of Your unchanging love. In Your plan for our salvation, You provide shepherds for Your people.

Fill the hearts of young men with the spirit of courage and love that they may answer Your call generously. Give parents the grace to encourage vocations in their family by prayer and good example.

Raise up worthy priests for Your Altars and ardent, but gentle servants of the Gospel. Give the Church more priests and keep them faithful in their love and service. May many young men choose to serve You by devoting themselves to the service of Your people. Amen.

THE BI-LOCATING NUN WHO MAY HAVE EVANGELIZED AMERICA

The Vatican is currently investigating the many stories surrounding the legendary "Lady in Blue."

Aleteia.org, by Philip Kosloski – In 1602 Maria Fernández Coronel joined the Order of the Immaculate Conception located in Spain. The religious community was known for its blue habit, and she took the name Maria de Jesús. She led a devout prayer life and her sanctity was well known. Sister Maria's spiritual wisdom was even sought after by King Philip IV of Spain, who exchanged letters with her for more than 20 years.

However, Sister Maria became most well known for her apparent bi-location between Spain and New Spain (Texas and New Mexico). It is reported that starting in 1620 Sister Maria was mystically transported to a tribe of Native Americans in the New World and converted them to the Christian faith.

It is said that she encountered the Jumano Indians more than 500 times and, according to DesertUSA, "instructed them in the fundamentals of the Faith, speaking to them in their own language. Her spirit carried rosaries from her cell to give to her charges... healed the sick [and] won converts." Sister Maria later urged them to contact the local Franciscan missionaries for assistance in starting a new mission.

The phenomenon was investigated by a priest who visited the area where these Native Americans were located. The priest spoke with the local Franciscans, who recounted how a tribe sought them out and told them a lady dressed in blue taught them the Christian faith.

The priest then showed the natives a painting of an older nun from the same religious community. They responded that the woman was wearing the same clothes, but that the woman they saw was younger and came from the sky.

Sister Maria's mystical appearances became widely known and she was quickly interrogated by the Church. Surprisingly Sister Maria was able to recount events that occurred in the missionary territory and even recognized a priest who was present at the baptism of a Native American. Her bi-locating presence in the New World was apparently vital to the development of Christian missions in the region and her story has become embedded in local history.

Later on in life Sister Maria experienced visions of the Blessed Virgin Mary and recorded them in a book entitled *Mystical City of God*.

She died in 1665 and shortly after her death, was declared "venerable" by the Church. Her body was found incorrupt several hundred years later when her casket was opened in the 20th century.

Recently her cause for canonization has been renewed and Father Stefano M. Cecchin visited the area in Texas to research the claims. He said to the San Angelo Standard-Times, "There is a lot of proof that the Lady in Blue appeared to the Jumano Tribe. If that's the case she would be the first woman evangelist in America."

WHAT IS THE APOSTOLIC PARDON?

Reserved for those on their deathbed, the Apostolic Pardon is a true gift of grace for the dying.

Aleteia.org, Philip Kosloski – As a person draws closer to the doors of death, there is one blessing in particular that the Church reserves for this most sacred moment: the Apostolic Pardon. It is a pardon that can be given by any priest and has the special power of removing all temporal punishment due to sin.

The Catholic Encyclopedia explains exactly what the Apostolic Pardon is and the requirements to perform it.

“The anointing [of the sick] is ordinarily succeeded by the conferring of the Apostolic benediction, or ‘last blessing,’ as it is commonly called. To this blessing a plenary indulgence is attached, to be gained, however, only at the hour of death, i.e. it is given nunc pro tunc. It is conferred in virtue of a special faculty granted to the bishops and by them delegated quite generally to their priests. The conditions requisite for gaining it are the invocation of the Holy Name of Jesus at least mentally, acts of resignation by which the dying person professes his willingness to accept all his sufferings in reparation for his sins and submits himself entirely to the will of God... The words of St. Augustine are in point: ‘However innocent your life may have been, no Christian ought to venture to die in any other state than that of the penitent.’”

The Apostolic Pardon is typically preceded by the Sacrament of Confession, to the extent that the dying person is able to participate in the sacrament. The priest then prays the “last blessing.”

*Through the holy mysteries of our redemption,
may almighty God release you
from all punishments in this life
and in the life to come.
May he open to you the gates of paradise
and welcome you to everlasting joy.
R. Amen.*

Or as it was traditionally prayed in years past, adding some additional context and noting where this prayer comes from in the Bible:

May our Lord Jesus Christ, who gave to His blessed apostle Peter the power of binding and loosing, mercifully accept your confession and restore your baptismal innocence. And I, by the power given to me by the Holy See, grant you a plenary indulgence and remission of all sins; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

By the sacred mysteries of mankind’s restoration may almighty God remit for you the punishment of the present life and of the life to come, and may He open to you the gates of Paradise and admit you to everlasting happiness.

It is a beautiful prayer and is meant to speed the penitent soul to the gates of Heaven, removing the punishment due to sin that they have already confessed, or at the very least, have fully repented from in their hearts. It does not guarantee someone will go straight to Heaven, but it clears everything off the road, so to speak, so that the

soul can freely choose to run toward the arms of Jesus.

The prayer is a supreme act of mercy and has great power, drawing on the authority given to Saint Peter to “bind and loose” (Matthew 16:19). It is a gift to a soul on their deathbed and has the added benefit of giving peace to family and friends, assuring them that they have done all they could do to bring a soul closer to the gates of Paradise.

NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

By Scott P. Richert, Catholic Author

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of November to the Holy Souls in Purgatory, those faithful Christians who have died and gone before us but who still must atone for their sins. The time they spend in Purgatory cleanses them so that they may enter Heaven free from all effects of sin.

Praying for the dead, especially for those we have known, is a requirement of Christian charity. Our own prayers and sacrifices can be offered up to relieve the suffering of the faithful departed, and help them so that they can enter more quickly into the fullness of Heaven.

“Eternal Rest,” one of the most commonly recited Catholic prayers in times past, has fallen into disuse in the last few decades. Prayer for the dead, however, is one of the greatest acts of charity we can perform.

Eternal Rest

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

If you are offering this prayer for a particular person, you can substitute “him” or “her” for “them.”

“Yet how quickly we could empty purgatory if we but really wished to.”

Saint John Marie Vianney



THANKSGIVING DINNER at Our Lady of Loretto

Thursday, November 23rd • 12:30 pm

Once again, on Thanksgiving Day – November 23rd – Thanksgiving dinner will be served in the Parish Hall at around 12:30 pm, and meals will be delivered to the homebound of the community. If you would like to attend the dinner or volunteer, call Tina Merando: 845-476-1435. To have a meal delivered to you, call the Parish Office at 265-3718 or Tina Merando, 845-476-1435. Everyone in the community is invited!