

Pastor's Perspective

*Praying for the Deceased

Our yearly parish Evening Prayer for the Deceased is next Sunday, November 5th, at 4 pm. We want to remember and pray for anyone who has died these past twelve months. If we celebrated their funeral liturgy at the parish here, then they will be listed both in our Book of Resurrection and Book of Memory. If you have someone else who died since our previous remembrance last November—no matter who or where, they do not have to be from the parish—we will list them in the Book of Memory and pray for them by name on November 5th.

Please call the parish office to let us know about how many might be coming, so we can plan for the hospitality afterward. NB: This is a prayer service, not a Mass. Also, the Book of Memory will remain by the baptismal font throughout November so that you can list the names of deceased family and friends, if you have not done so in past years. If you have written their names in previous years, then they are still listed and you do not have to add them again.

*Feast of All Saints and Feast of All Souls

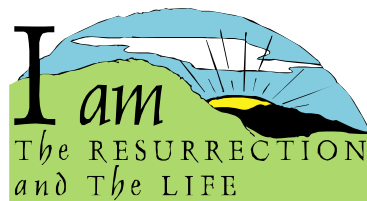
Wednesday November 1st is the Feast of All Saints. It is a holyday of obligation for Catholics. Mass times are 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. This feast

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**Feast of All Saints
November 1, 2006**

**Holy Day Masses at
9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.**



Remembrance of the Deceased Sunday, November 5 4:00 p.m.

Special invitations have been sent out to all who lost a loved one and celebrated the funeral or memorial service here at the parish the last twelve months, but the prayer service is for anyone who has lost a loved one this past year. We pray for each of the deceased by name at the service, add a flower in their honor, and spend time afterward for light refreshments and conversation. If there is someone you'd like to continue to pray for, please plan on being with us.

To let the hospitality planners get a rough estimate of how many to anticipate, please call the parish office with the name of the deceased who is to be remembered this year and approximately how many people might be attending. Thank you.

Here's what's happening this week!

Monday, October 30:

- *7:00 p.m. Mass
- *7:45 Adult Bell Choir
- *NO RE
- *7:45 Vocations Committee meeting
- *6:30 RCIA

Tuesday, October 31:

- *Mass at 9:00 a.m.
- *9:30 a.m. Little Rock Scripture *Women in the Old Testament*
- *NO Jr. Choir
- *NO RE

Wednesday, November 1:

- *All Saints — Holy Day Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- *7:45 Communion Ministers mtg.

Thursday, November 2:

- *6:30 p.m. Little Rock Scripture *Women in the Old Testament*

Saturday, November 4:

- *Individual Confessions at 3:00 p.m.
- *6:00 p.m. Greeter meeting

Regular Parish Office Hours

- Mon. - Wed. — 9 :00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
- Thursday — 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Friday — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday—12:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- Sunday — 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



**Taize Prayer
November 15
6:30 p.m.**

Catholic Book Store & Work of Human Hands Sale



The Catholic Book Store and a sale for Work of Human Hands will take place the weekend of November 4th & 5th in Social Hall C after all masses.

The Catholic Book Store will have a wide selection of books, including Advent reading material, bibles and religious articles available for sale.

The Work of Human Hands sale is very special. Each purchase you make helps artisans and farmers in developing regions maintain steady work and a sustainable income so that they can provide for their families. The one-of-a-kind Christmas items, house wares, baskets or jewelry you purchase at the sale will enrich your life and help a family in another part of the world look toward a brighter future.



Please mark these dates on your calendar. Payment for each sale will be handled separately. We are unable to accept charge cards for purchases for Work of Human Hands, only check or cash.

Attention Lectors, Communion Ministers and Greeters

Please mark these dates and attend one of the meetings for each ministry you are involved with. If you are not yet part of these ministries but are willing to become one, please call the office and leave your name and number. The meeting for communion ministers lasts approximately one hour. Greeter meeting lasts half an hour.

Communion Ministers: If you missed the October 15th meeting, please come Wednesday, November 1, after the 7:00 p.m. All Saints Mass (approximately 7:45 p.m.)

Greeters: Either Saturday, November 4, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass (approximately 6:00 p.m.) or Sunday, November 5, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass (approximately 10:30 a.m.)



Baptism Prep

Our next baptism preparation session will be on Sunday, November 5, at 12:45 p.m. Prior to attending the preparation class, you must first call for an appointment to come into the office to register your child.

Isn't it strange?

Isn't it strange how 2 hours seem so long when you're at church, and how short they seem when you're watching a good movie?

Isn't it strange how a 20 dollar bill seems like such a large amount when you donate it to church, but such a small amount when you go shopping?

Isn't it strange how we believe everything that magazines and newspapers say, but we question the words in the Bible?



**2006-2007
Religious
Formation
Program**

October-May

Early Childhood

(ages 3-4-5 years)

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Sessions: Nov. 5, 12, 19

NO Session: Nov. 26

Grades 1-6

Monday: 4:45-6:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 4:45-6:00 p.m.

& 6:30-7:45 p.m.

No Sessions: Oct. 30/31

Sessions: Nov. 6/7, 13/14, 20/21

NO Session: Nov. 27/28

Grades 7-8

Sunday: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

In weekly blocks of time

No Session: Oct. 29

Sessions: Nov. 5, 12, 19

NO Session: Nov. 26

**Sacrament of
Reconciliation
for
5th & 6th Graders**

**Monday & Tuesday
November 6 & 7
during their sessions**

All children, including 3rd and 4th graders who have received their First Reconciliation in the past years will be given the opportunity to receive this sacrament during session time.

Parents are being asked to help prepare their children for this sacrament.



Bartimaeus

Mk 10:46-52

My name is Bartimaeus and I would like to tell you what it was like to be blind. To be blind is to be cut off from other people. It is to be in a world of your own. At times loneliness could surround me like a cold mist. I was cut off from all the things which make life worthwhile, things which sighted people take for granted.

I was forced to beg for a living, being totally dependent upon the charity of others. I sat at the roadside of life. My future was a long road without a goal. Life would never be any different. I would always be in the dark, always on the margins, always lonely and cut off.

I longed for one thing—to be able to see. That longing would never leave me. I thought that if it would only go away, then maybe I would have some peace inside.

Some people would give me a coin or two as they passed, but no one actually stopped to talk to me. The indifference of others hurt me the most. Some people would hurry up past me and then slow down once they past. I could tell from the sound of their footsteps. I felt as if I were somehow contaminated. I was told that my blindness was caused by sin, so that meant that even God had no time for me.

That's how it was for me until I heard the sound of a large crowd. I asked about it and was told that Jesus was passing by. Suddenly hope rose up inside me, and I began to cry out, 'Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me.'

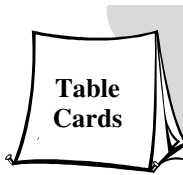
People tried to silence me...said I was an embarrassment to them, but I cried even louder. Then someone told me that Jesus heard me and was calling me. I threw aside my cloak and groped my way to meet him. He asked what he could do for me and I told him to please let me see. He asked no more questions and just said to go on my way. It was my faith that saved me.'

How could I go on my way and forget all about him. I followed him along the road and became a disciple of his. What a joy it was to see! I wanted to reach out and touch everyone! I looked on them all as my friends. In my meeting with Jesus I had felt his love. He had not only brought me in from the margins of life, but had given me a place of honor at the banquet of life.

Jesus' mission was 'to open the eyes of the blind.' It was not so much a question of bringing physical sight to people, but of bringing them vision, of giving them another way of looking at life. It wasn't a question of opening people's eyes physically, but of opening their minds, their imaginations, and especially their hearts. The real journey of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes.

We don't have to be physically blind to feel in the dark. At times any of us can feel lonely and cut off. We find ourselves on the margin of things. We are no longer useful or wanted. People ignore us. Without love the world is very dark. And people want us to keep quiet. And we ourselves may be too ashamed to cry out.

At those times we must have courage and the humility to cry out to the Lord. Jesus is the one who brings us in from the margins. He tells us that we are precious to the Father. He gives us a seat at the banquet of the Kingdom. He wants us to do for others what he did for Bartimaeus. By our love, our care, our time, we are to let a little light into a world of darkness.



Jesus Heals Bartimaeus

Jesus asks Bartimaeus, "What do you want me to do?" Bartimaeus replied, "I want to see." Jesus heals him with the news that it was Bartimaeus's faith that was the cure.

A few weeks ago, our Gospel story was about Jesus healing a man who was deaf. The first reading that Sunday foretold of the day when the blind would see, the deaf would hear, and the lame would leap. It was becoming more and more clear that Jesus was the One to come, the One to heal the blind and the lame, the Messiah.

Bartimaeus's popularity increases immediately with the attention he receives from Jesus. One minute the crowd is scolding him to keep quiet, the next minute they are reassuring him and urging him to go to Jesus. Jesus' gift to Bartimaeus is not only his sight but also his status in the community. By reaching out to the outcasts of society, Jesus brings general acceptance to them.

What does it mean for you to 'see'? What would you like to ask Jesus for?



"Christ Jesus,
help us to see.
We pray and beg
you for mercy.
We pray and beg you
for understanding.
We pray and beg you
for the gift of hope.
Come now, and show
your compassion.
O Jesus, Son of David,
have pity on us."

2006 Sharing Tree Recipients

Our annual Sharing Tree will be going up on Saturday, November 18th for two weekends with tags from nine different charities from which to choose. Listed below is a brief description of each.

- ◆ **The AIDS Ministry** Forum of the Archdiocese of Detroit provides education, caring support, and resources to encourage and assist the Catholic community in developing their ministry to people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS.
- ◆ **Capuchin Caps, Coats-N-Kids** this new program will provide new caps, coats and gloves to 400 at risk families, providing warm winter coats to 1,200 children. Parents will have a chance to pick a coat, hat and pair of gloves for their child(ren) from a selection of new products provided by donors.
- ◆ **Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission** is a Hispanic ministry in Port Huron. Each year the mission provides a Christmas party and allows the children to choose a gift and enjoy a simple meal prepared by community volunteers.
- ◆ **St. Maximilian/St. Francis Outreach** seeks to serve those who come to their church seeking assistance with food, clothing and gifts at Christmas time.
- ◆ **The Samaritan House** is a community service organization devoted to serving individuals and families within our community by recognizing their needs and mobilizing the means for dealing with those needs so that "suffering can be relieved, dignity preserved and love shared".
- ◆ **Juan Diego Hispanic Ministry** is a cooperative Hispanic ministry of North Macomb Vicariate, of which SS. John & Paul is a member. It is headquartered in the Agape Center on the grounds of St. Clement in Romeo. Some areas in which help is provided for Hispanics are legal and health matters, religious education for children, food pantry items, English as a Second Language for parents and summer day camp for children.
- ◆ **Turning Point** is a shelter which provides programs and resources that enable victims/survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and homelessness to regain control of their lives.
- ◆ **McWarm of St. Margaret** offers the homeless in the area (St. Clair Shores) a warming center where they can shower and have a lunch of soup and sandwiches Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays beginning November 1st throughout the winter months. They are open 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM.
- ◆ **Birthright of Macomb Co.** is a crisis pregnancy center whose mission is to offer guidance, support and aid to the women of Macomb County to help them continue their pregnancies to term.

Please note: All Sharing Tree gifts will be due back at church by Sunday, December 3rd.



Drivers Needed!

We are still in need of several drivers who would be willing to transport parishioners to church and home again on occasional weekends for mass. This would not be every week and perhaps only once in awhile if we get enough people willing to volunteer. Please call the office at your earliest convenience to let us know if you could donate your time. If calling after office hours, please listen to the prompt for Macomb County Interfaith Caregivers and leave your name and number. Thank you!

A Healthy Lifestyle Adventure Class

“I have come so that you might have life and have it more abundantly”

John 10:10

The Lord wants us to enjoy life to the fullest as a total person both spiritually and physically. Come join us as we learn a holistic approach to health and share ideas to develop a healthier physical, spiritual, mental and social lifestyle within the context of a supportive group atmosphere.

Taught by the Parish Nurse team, this class is part of a Blue Cross and Blue Shield two-year incentive to encourage a healthier lifestyle. This seven week session takes place in the Activities Center, is free and runs on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. through November 15th. **Please note that this class will not be held on Wednesday, November 1st.** Please join us as we strive to become a more faithful steward of God’s gift of life to us.

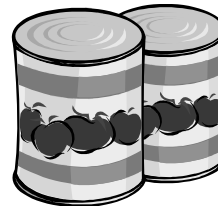


Agape Center Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Agape Center, a cooperative resource center sponsored by the North Macomb Vicariate, is located on the grounds of St. Clement of Rome in Romeo. A food pantry is located within the Agape Center to accommodate emergency food needs in our area. The food pantry is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM, and by appointment. They are set up to be open when Samaritan House is closed.

The Agape Center traditionally offers food baskets to those in need at Thanksgiving. They are accepting food donations for anything used in making a Thanksgiving dinner, including whole chickens, rice, dry pinto beans and small jars of turkey gravy. You may take food donations directly to Agape Center during pantry hours, or leave them in SS. John & Paul kitchen clearly marked, “AGAPE CENTER” and we will make sure donations arrive there on time. **The deadline for donations for Thanksgiving food items is Wednesday, November 15th.**

SAMARITAN HOUSE FOOD DRIVE NEXT WEEKEND NOVEMBER 4-5, 2006



Please bring your non-perishable food donations TO THE ALTAR!
Suggested food items requested for the Samaritan House Thanksgiving food drive are:

Chicken broth, canned gravy, boxed Dream Whip, canned pumpkin, boxed dry milk, canned fruit, fruit juice, bag white granulated sugar, canned vegetables, canned yams, boxed stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, canned evaporated milk, 1 lb. bag/box brown sugar, boxed instant potatoes, bag flour, jiffy pie mix, cooking oil, \$15.00 gift cards for turkeys.

We are hoping to fill 235 Thanksgiving food baskets this year. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

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 commemorates the countless men and women who have died and now live in and with the Lord. These are the ones who do not have a special feast day dedicated to them but who nevertheless lived lives of faith and love. They include so many of our parents, grandparents, friends and relatives, but also so many unknown and unheralded men and women whose faith was at the core of their lives. This feast reminds us that at the heart of our journey is the call to become saints of God. Too often we equate that with unreasonably heroic or fantastically different types of lives. Not so. Each of us is called to be an example of holiness by how we integrate our heritage and background, our experiences and choices, our actions and inactions into a whole that is guided by the Spirit of God.

But not all who lived or all who have died are guaranteed to be saints in that sense. Many (most? all?) have done things that, though often forgiven, still have caused harm and evil to enter the world and so others have been marked by the consequences of those actions. Eventually the Church started talking about the "poor souls in purgatory." Purgatory was conceived as a "place" where the souls of such "not-yet-saints" "spent time" being purified of all that would keep them from full union with God and paying the "temporary" penalty as a consequence of the repercussion of all their sins. These souls could not unite fully with God in heaven until their "time" in purgatory was satisfied, "time" that could be shortened by our prayers, our actions, even our celebration of the Mass on their behalf.

Thus, in the past there was a clear distinction between the feasts of All Saints and All Souls (celebrated November 2). The former was the holyday of obligation which celebrated only those who we knew (either because the Church had declared them, or because of the exemplary quality of their life, or because of all the prayers and Masses prayed for them over the years) were "in" heaven. The latter, All Souls, focused on those "suffering in purgatory."

Because of the emphasis on purgatory and praying to "free the poor souls in purgatory," the feast of All Souls, though never a holyday of obligation like All Saints, nevertheless was seen as almost more important. By custom, the priest would celebrate three Masses that day for all those "in purgatory," with the sense that all or much of the "time" left in purgatory would be abolished, thus helping them to become one of those saints in heaven.

Notice all the quotation marks in the paragraphs above. The reason is that literal images of places and times don't make any sense when talking of what happens after death. Moreover, the language of transaction—so many prayers lead to so many "days" off the "time" in purgatory, as though the key is the external action rather than the change of heart and lives such prayer needs to lead to—is very easily abused and misunderstood. It is not surprising that the way purgatory was used in the 16th century by unscrupulous priests to raise money for themselves or pet building projects was severely criticized by both the Protestant Reformers and many Catholic theologians and bishops as well. As a result, it is very difficult to use such language today in a way that is both meaningful and does not mislead people as to what is truly being said.

That is why the Church uses such language much more rarely now. When language of purgatory is used, it needs to be carefully understood. There is no literal "place" that is purgatory, no matter how brilliantly clever someone like Dante or other writers were in describing it. Rather, it is the name western Catholicism gave to the process of purification that takes place after death, for those who are clearly not fully united with God in this life and yet clearly not hard-heartedly and permanently alienated from God in this life either. Eastern Christianity does not use the term "purgatory" and prefers the term "purification" instead. The newest Catechism of the Catholic Church still uses "purgatory" and gives some of the customary description of what was said about it, but uses "purification" as a synonym as well. What is helpful about the term "purification" is that it focuses

on the process happening, a process that is not confined to a time or place, a process that has to do with our intimate relationship with God. In fact, such language was used by the late Pope John Paul II to highlight how the process of purification begins already in the lives we live now, as does the process of blessed union with God (heaven) and alienation from God (hell). In other words, purgatory is not to be taken in a literal sense. Rather, it captures the faith reality that we are capable of being open to God and yet not in full union with God. Moreover, it adds to that reality the sense that our sins have consequences that affect not just our relationship with God but the very existence of others. Sin harms others. And even if we are forgiven those sins, because we turn to God in true contrition, the effects of our sinfulness can remain, still causing harm.

Anything that helps to repair and heal the world broken by sin is, in a sense, already part of this process of purification. We do so when we refuse to repay hurt with hurt, lie with lie, evil with evil. Each time we truly forgive we stop part of the effects of the sins of others from having any more power. Prayers and Masses for "those in purgatory," then, are not automatic guarantees but practices that transform us as individuals and communities so that the harm caused by sin has less effect, less power. Since most of us are not able to counter all the harmful effects of our sin while we are alive, we are dependent on others to do so. We do for others; we hope and pray others will do the same for us. Prayer for the dead is a recognition of that connection between living and deceased and, to be authentic, calls us to do what we can to embrace the good which those we pray for lived and to repair the harm those we pray for caused.

***Meetings of Communion Ministers and Greeters**

A reminder to Communion ministers who were unable to make the meeting two weeks ago: after the 7 p.m. All Saints Day Mass on Wednesday, November 1st, there is a communion

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minister gathering. This is the mandatory yearly gathering to look at the communion minister procedures, to confirm schedules, to talk about some minor problems that have arisen, and the like.

A reminder to Greeters: your yearly formation and re-commitment meeting is next weekend. Choose between Saturday after the 5 p.m. Mass or Sunday after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Thank you.

*Scripture Quote

For the feast of All Saints, the second reading is from the first letter of John, chapter 3, verses 1-3. In it is one of my favorite Scripture quotes:

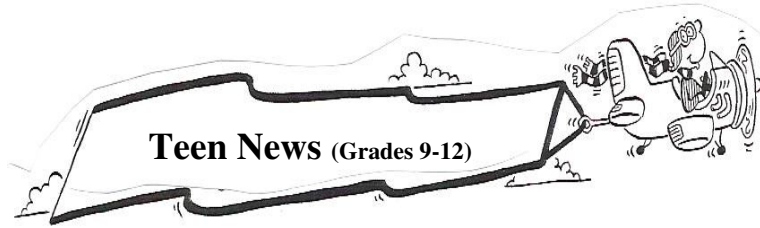
“Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.”

What a wonderful image to meditate on. It is both a reminder not to worry about what happens at death—we are God’s children now; we certainly won’t be less than that at death!—and an invitation to become more like God. The more we know and see God as he is (ultimately fully only in eternity, but already happening in our lives now), the more we become like him. We truly are the image and likeness of God.

Fr. Buersmeyer

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The LORD has done great things for us; we are filled with JOY!



- **Trunk-N-Treat Reminder**

All teens who signed up to help with Trunk-N-Treat, please arrive no later than 4:30 p.m. to find out where you will be helping out. If you are in 9-12 grade and would like to help with this event, please call Mrs. Peters.

- **Attention 10-12 Graders—Help!**

Mrs. Peters needs your help on November 5 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. to help plan a special meeting for November 12. Please join us and give us your great ideas. Any questions or concerns, please call Mrs. Peters.

- **Confirmation**

Our parish was well represented with attitude and behavior from the 30 teens who attended the Confirmation retreat at St. Benedicts on October 22. The teens got to get away and enjoy a great view along with a quiet meditation, reconciliation, and a beautiful mass. A special thanks goes to Mr. & Mrs. Loyson, Mrs. Waligore, and Mrs. Klakulak who gave up their time to help chaperone and drive for the retreat. Don’t forget the next Confirmation session will be November 12 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. All teens must attend the entire session.

- **Rainbow—January 20-21, 2007**

The Rainbow packets were given out to those who asked for them. All information must be turned into the office by November 10. If you plan on attending this conference, please make sure you attend the next teen session. If you did not receive a packet and would like one, please stop by the office. Any questions, please call Mrs. Peters.

- **Yard Work Wanted**

We are waiting for the leaves to fall but have tentatively scheduled the fall clean up to take place on November 4. If you have any yard work you are not able to do such as raking, pruning, cleaning up flower beds, etc., please call the office and we will be happy to help you with your task. Likewise, if you would like to help as a worker for the yard clean up please call the office. This is an excellent opportunity for families, Confirmation students, retirees and anyone who wants to lend a hand to help our neighbors.

Community News

“Conquering Unforgiveness”

Lynne Thomas, a psychologist from the Grosse Pointe area will present, “Conquering Unforgiveness” on Thursday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fr. Vincent Welch Hall at St. Peter Church. St. Peter’s is located at 98 New Street, Mt. Clemens. Call 586.868.5134 for more information.

“Ladies Shopping Extravaganza”

Announcing the St. Lawrence PTO “Ladies Shopping Extravaganza” fundraiser and Christmas shopping event on Saturday, November 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the St. Lawrence gymnasium, 44633 Utica Road. Approximately 30 quality vendors that are sure to appeal. There is no admission fee and raffle tickets will be available for purchase for \$1 each to win some great prize packages. If you scrapbook, there is a crop running concurrently from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call Barb Corona for details at 586.979.7303 or email coronab@ameritech.net.

Promote Social Justice

The Catholic social teaching principle “Call to Family, Community, and Participation” teaches that the manner in which we organize our society affects the human dignity of all. Proposal 2, which will appear on the November 7 general election ballot, is a step-backward in the struggle to overcome discrimination and its continuing effects. This proposal is bad public policy for the state and represents an indifference to the difficulties women and minorities face on a daily basis. By working together and opposing Proposal 2, we will help our brothers and sisters promote the common good and well being of everyone. Vote NO on Proposal 2.

North Macomb Vicariate Newsletter

News from parishes in our North Macomb Vicariate is available online at www.NMVonline.org. The newsletter also lists the mass time for every parish in our vicariate. For the current issue and archives of past issues of the newsletter, check out the page entitled “View the North Macomb News”. You can also use Yahoo! or Google’s search engine by putting in the search line: North Macomb Vicariate or North Macomb Vicariate News.

Pray for our sick



Mary Angelosante, Rita Bayer, Mary Burcar, Bill Cauley, Vivette Clark, Ralph Cleary, Geraldine Dale, Lorraine Dawe, Chris Del Pappa, Lauren DeNio, Juan DiMusto, Art Donovan, Alojzy Filipowicz, Krystyna Green, May Hoenle, Ronnie Housewright, Janet Johnson, Gorden Kowalke, Hayden Kroll, Jacob Main, Bernice Mayer, Agnes Mehlick, Bob Mehlick, Adele Miller, Larry Newsom, Dorothy Puffpaff, Hank Roman, Mary Rupert, Albert Sabbe, Alice Sabbe, Camille Smith, Michelle Smith, Tommasina Smith, Mary Sorrow, Joseph Staller, Barbara Supina, Karen Shea, Duane VanPamel, Richard Waluk, Toni Willoughby, Arthur Wiczko, Evelyn Wiczko

Pray for our military



Noel & Greg Ales, Nick Bassett, Augie Biache III, Mike Boback, Andrew Eppens, Eric Eppens, Tony Gentilia, David Krzycki, Jonathon Krusinski, Chris Krusinski, Paul McGowan, David Newberry, Ryan Ribant, Thomas Schmidt, Vincent Titeriga, Jennifer & Warren Varney

O God, giver of life, watch over and protect the fathers and mothers, wives and husbands, who are members of our Armed Forces.
Be with them when they wake in the morning, and let them sleep peacefully at the end of each day.

Guide them as they travel over land, sea, and air.

Keep them and their families safe and hasten their return to us.

We also ask you to protect the innocent, especially children and the elderly, in places torn apart by war, hatred, and violence. Send your Spirit of Peace into the hearts of us all so that the day may soon come when we can live together side by side, creating ways to help one another rather than looking for ways to hurt each other.

Amen

Stewardship Report

Oct. 21-22, 2006

Weekly budget\$11,600.00
 Offertory.....\$8,698.85
 No. Sunday envelopes used.....274
Total offertory\$8,698.85

Other Monies / (# Envelopes)

Debt Reduction / (4).....\$105.00
 Children’s Env. / (15).....\$14.00
 Mission Sunday (51)\$1,161.00

Did you know that last year we spent over \$8,000 for remodeling and repairs around the church? The bathrooms were spruced up with new countertops and fixtures, the furnace and hot water tank were replaced, and exterior lights were added to the Activities Center. Thank you.

Readings for the Week of October 29, 2006

Sunday, October 29:

Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126; Heb 5:1-6;
 Mk 10:46-52

Monday, October 30:

Eph 4:32—5:8; Ps 1; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 31:

Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128;
 Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday, November 1:

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
 Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday, November 2:

Wis 3:1-9; Ps 27 or Ps 103; Rom 5:5-11
 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

Friday, November 3:

Phil 1:1-11; Ps 111; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday, November 4:

Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday, November 5:

Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34

Sponsor of the week

Robert Thomas Sacco



**Eucharistic
Prayer
Requests**

**Saturday and Sunday
October 28-29, 2006**

Ronald Darga by Martino Family
Lilo Schneider by Jankowsky Family
Rita Goniwiecha by Husband
Angela & Joseph Panfalone by
Quayhackx Family

Monday, October 30, 2006

Edmund Jarzembksi by B. Jarzembksi

Tuesday October 31, 2006

Lorene Schroeder by Dobbs Family

Wednesday, November 1, 2006

For the Parishioners

**Saturday and Sunday
November 4-5, 2006**

Emilia Bem by SSJP Choir
Dennis Abram by Sobetski Family
Alice Miriani by Family
Laura & Frank Payne by Family
Irene Mady by Kuskowski Family
William Chisholm by Family

Liturgical appointments for November 4-5, 2006				
	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Buersmeyer	Fr. Buersmeyer	Fr. Buersmeyer	Fr. Sayes
Lectors	G. Pagliarella P. Brunet	A. Loyson M. Greenway	J. Reaume J. Reaume	C. Gregory L. Hester
Eucharistic Ministers *Captain	M. Beaudin* M. Bonaudo B. Hellebuyck C. Bianchini F. Diebboll	L. Raleigh* B. Huellmantel C. Klein P. Loyson A. Loyson	S. Pospiech* P. Partyka B. Quayhackx P. Quayhackx J. Sabina J. Sabina A. Simonetti	T. Bugli* J. Gilbertson P. Hester D. Jiannuzzi J. Martino
Altar Servers	M. Campbell G. Ellis	—Open—	Z. Compeau J. Seidel	H. Becker N. Delcourt J. Yankee
Greeters	L. Amato C. Hatcher	M. Weathers L. Weathers	A. Lanni A. Lanni	C. Winde
Ushers	Team #1 B. Diebboll L. Foltran R. Pewinski J. Wright	Team #3 B. Dale E. Fannon S. Krajewski A. Sova R. Chapman	Team #5 L. Monfils M. Bayer B. Janowiak K. Partyka A. Saylor	Team #7 B. Cauley R. Kopera L. LePage J. Martino B. Jiannuzzi M. Bytner
Money Counters	Catherine LaRose, Ken Grunewald, Moira Mullin, Bill & Bev Huellmantel, Hilary & Grace Susalla			