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TODAY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024
31st SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY

9:00 am – Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated in the Traditional Rite.

OPENING HYMN

“TO THEE, WE COME, O LORD OUR GOD”

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God,
 Before Thine altar, Father
 Thou knowest best our yearning hearts;
 This supplication answer.
 Lift up from want Thy people, Lord,
 Bless us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.
 Under Thy cross we stand prepared,
 To serve Thee with devotion;
 Be it with sweat of blood or tears,
 Or humble resignation.
 For we Thy people are, O Lord,
 Save us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

ENTRANCE HYMN
(Psalm 119:151-152, 159)

- V. You, O Lord, are near and all Your commands are permanent. Of old I know from Your decrees, that You have established them forever.**
- R. See how I love Your precepts, O Lord; in Your kindness give me life.**

- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,**
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest,
 And peace to His people on earth.
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 Almighty God, and Father
 We worship You; we give You thanks
 We praise you for Your glory
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father
 Lord God, Lamb of God
 You take away the sins of the world
 Have mercy on us
 You are seated at the
 right hand of the Father
 Receive our prayer
 For you alone are the Holy One
 You alone are the Lord,
 You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ
 With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of
 God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

- C. The Lord be with you.**
- R. And also with you.**
- C. Let us pray: Heavenly Father, send Your Spirit upon us. As we observe Your commandments of love, may we experience Your presence as we come before You in praise. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.**
- R. Amen.**



LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD
A READING FROM THE BOOK OF
DEUTERONOMY (Deuteronomy 6:2-6)

Moses spoke to the people, saying: "Fear the LORD, your God, and keep, throughout the days of your lives, all His statutes and commandments

which I enjoin on you, and thus have long life. Hear then, Israel, and be careful to observe them, that you may grow and prosper the more, in keeping with the promise of the LORD, the God of your fathers, to give you a land flowing with milk and honey. "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today."

C. This is the Word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL
(Psalm 119:13-14, 17)

V. With my lips I declare all the ordinances of Your mouth. In the way of Your decrees I rejoice, as much as in all riches.
R. Be good to Your servant, that I may live and keep Your words.



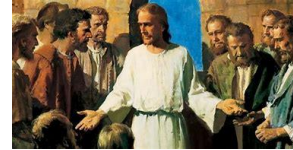
A READING FROM THE LETTER OF SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE HEBREWS
(Hebrews 7:23-28)

Brothers and sisters: The Levitical priests were many because they were prevented by death from remaining in office, but Jesus, because He remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. Therefore, He is always able to save those who approach God through Him, since He lives forever to make intercession for them. It was fitting that we should have such a high priest: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, higher than the heavens. He has no need, as did the high priests, to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; He did that once for all when he offered Himself. For the law appoints men subject to weakness to be high priests, but the word of the oath, which was taken after the law, appoints a son, who has been made perfect forever.

C. This is the Word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE
(Psalm 119:12)

C. Alleluia, alleluia.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.
V. Blessed are You, O Lord; teach me Your statutes.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MARK
(Mark 12:28b-34)

C. The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.
C. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark
R. Glory be to You, O Lord.

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked Him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, the first is this: 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than He.' And 'to love Him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, He said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And no one dared to ask Him any more questions

C. The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



PROFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

I believe in One God, the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth

Of all that is seen and unseen.
 I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 The only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father.
 God from God, Light from Light, True God
 from true God, begotten not made
 Of one being with the Father.
 Through Him all things were made
 For us and for our salvation.
 He came down from heaven:
 By the power of the Holy Spirit
 He was born of the Virgin Mary
 AND BECAME MAN.
 For our sake, He was crucified
 under Pontius Pilate
 He suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day He rose again
 In fulfillment of the Scriptures.
 He ascended into heaven and
 Is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory
 To judge the living and the dead
 And His kingdom will have no end.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 The Lord and Giver of Life
 Who proceeds from the Father,
 With the Father and the Son
 He is worshipped and glorified.
 He has spoken through the prophets.
 I believe in One, Holy, Catholic
 and Apostolic Church
 I acknowledge one baptism
 for the forgiveness of sins.
 I look for the resurrection of the dead
 And the + life of the world to come.

Amen.



OFFERTORY VERSE
 (Psalm 119:31, 33)

V. I cling to Your decrees; O Lord, let me not be put to shame. Instruct me, O Lord, in the way of Your statutes, that I may exactly observe them.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord, our God, accept these gifts of Your bounty which we bring to You. By the power of Your Spirit, may these holy mysteries sanctify us in this life and lead us to eternal joy. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Let us Pray: Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.



COMMUNION VERSE
 (Psalm 119:41-42)

V. Let your kindness come to me, O Lord, Your salvation according to Your promise. So shall I have an answer for those who reproach me, for I trust in Your words.

CLOSING PRAYER

C. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

C. Let us pray: Almighty God, You have given us the true bread from heaven, our Lord Jesus Christ. May we be so nourished that, abiding in Him and He in us, we may be filled with the power of endless love. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.



REFLECTIONS ON THE FIRST COMMANDMENTS OF LOVE

“One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked Him, which is the first of all the commandments? Jesus replied: the first is this: ‘Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.’”

- Mark 12:28b-34

This scriptural passage, as found in today’s Gospel, is also known as the “Shema.” and is found in the 5th book of the Old Testament, in the book of Deuteronomy 6:4-7, where we read:

“Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.”

We continue to read in Deuteronomy 6:6-7:

“Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.”

In Judaism, the “Shema,” is the considered to be the central Jewish prayer which expresses one’s faith in the “One God,” as well as a declaration of the common monotheistic and Jewish identity.”

In Judaism, the “Shema” is traditionally said twice a day, in the morning and evening. It is also said as the final prayer on “Yom Kippur,” the holiest of days in Judaism. It is said before prior to death. I have also read that whenever the “Shema” is said, one places a hand over their eyes, out of respect and concentration. I am also reminded that in Judaism, one never writes out the name of God, but simply writes: G–d.

In Judaism, the Torah, which comprises the first five book of the Old Testament, is also known as the “Pentateuch.” It is believed to be the divine revelation from God given to the Prophet Moses.

In the Torah, there are 613 commandments, which was first mentioned in the 3rd century AD by Rabbi Simlai, in a sermon he delivered, which was based on the Torah. Of these 613 commandments, there are 218 positive commandments; “Thou shalt” and there are 365 negative commandments: “Thou shalt not.”

Furthermore, God was to send out later His chosen spokesmen, the prophets, during the time of the kings of Israel and Judah, where they were to reveal and declared His given word given to them.

In the history of the Old Testament, we learn that there were 17 prophets: five major and twelve minor prophets.

I believe that when Jesus, was asked what the greatest commandment was, He already knew the answer. I am sure, that as a Jew, He had learned the “Shema,” as well as studying Holy Scripture. At His baptism, at age 30, when the Holy Spirit descended upon Him, the Torah and the essence of all the prophetic writings were whittled down into remembering the two commandments that he knew from the Old Testament and taught us, that we, as Christians, are taught as the “Two commandments of Love.” Jesus was to declare in Matthew 22:37-40: **“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”**

So, let us start with the first commandment. **“And you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.”**

I recall a presentation I heard years ago by Dr. Bill Keimig, who was the Assistant Director of the Catechetical Institute of the Franciscan University of Steubenville, PA.

In his presentation, he mentioned that he was married and a father of three children who were all raised in the teachings of Jesus. He also talked about the importance of prayer.

He said that whenever he was away from home, he would call each night to speak with his wife and children. After asking how each of them were doing,

they all shared in an evening prayer, and before he ended the call. he would say to his children: "Remember, daddy loves you, He will always there to protect, provide and watch over all of you, because daddy loves you."

Did not Jesus teach us that our God was our "Heavenly Father" and the one who will always love us, protect us, provides for us, and watches over us?

We, who have been, baptized into this Christian faith, are connected by a "common thread" in the Judeo-Christian tradition, of which as St. Augustine, declared: "The Old [Testament] is revealed in the New [Testament] and the New is contained in the Old. What this great Western Theologian wrote about was of the two Covenants, which places the "love of God" as its paramount.

AN INTERESTING FIND

Years ago, when I traveled to the Amish Country, for the first time, I bought a framed picture This picture, with heaven in the background, measures about 20 X 30 inches, and hangs in my office I believe the words inscribed on this picture, says a lot:

**"I believe in the Sun,
even though it not shining."**

**"I believe in Love,
even when I cannot feel it."**

**"I believe in God,
even when He is silent"**

What moved me the most were the words that followed: **"Written on a cellar wall during the Holocaust."** I have thought over the years of the one who wrote these words, and the faith of this one individual, who was probably Jewish, and still after all that was happening, during the holocaust, still believed in the "Shema" which was the cornerstone of their faith.



THE DIVINITY OF THE CHRIST

It is a blessed assurance that Jesus, came to those who lived in darkness to bring the Light which revealed a clearer understanding of who God was?

I am reminded of a conversation found in the Gospel of John 14:9 between Jesus and the Apostle Philip, who at the Last Supper, says: "Lord, show us the Father and it will enough for us." To this Jesus says: "Don't you know Me, Philip, even after I have been among you for such a long time? Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father."

John, who wrote the last Gospel account of Jesus c. 90 AD, introduces us to Jesus as the "Word made flesh."

At the end of Holy Mass, in our liturgy, we read from the Gospel of John: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God."

In John 10:30, Jesus goes on to declare: "The Father and I are one." Though, there is a oneness with the Father, Jesus also declares his own identity, dependent unto the Father, but separate.

In John 14:10-12, we read: "Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own; but the Father who dwells in Me does his works. Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; but if you do not, then believe Me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in Me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father."

On the Sermon of the Mount, when Jesus is asked how to pray, as the disciples of John the Baptist, Jesus offers what has been called the "perfect prayer" which again shows us His dependency unto the Father:

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Throughout His earthly ministry, it is recorded that Jesus turned to the Father in prayer. It is well known that many of Jesus's miracles, began in prayer unto the Father.

Though Jesus came into the world to heal the sick and preach the Gospel, the most important aspect in His ministry was not in glorifying Himself, but rather in "glorifying His Father."

At the Last Supper, Jesus spoke in John 17:1-2,4-5, "After Jesus had spoken these words, He looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son so that the Son may glorify You, since you have given Him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom You have given Him. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that You gave Me to do. So now, Father, glorify Me in Your own presence with the glory that I had in Your presence before the world existed."

I do believe that whenever a person invites the Lord to come into their lives, they will experience a deeper love, a redeeming love and a love that God has for each of us. All this is dependent on the degree that one commits and believes on loving God as found in the "Shema" to love God completely, in heart, soul, and mind,.

Did not the Lord, when called upon the give sight to the blind, the deaf to hear, the lepers to be cleansed and the crippled to walk, did they not, in their faith become saved? So what is the key?

It is simply for us to love God as a child as Jesus taught in Mark 10:13 -16, where we read:

"People were bringing little children to Him in order that He might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, He was indignant and said to them,



"Let the little children come to Me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And He took them up in His arms, laid His hands on them, and blessed them.



NOVEMBER 5th
ZECHARIAH AND ELIZABETH
PARENTS OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

In the Gospel of Luke we read that Zechariah and his wife, Elizabeth, who were righteous, and God-fearing people, who had no children and we read that Elizabeth was well past childbearing years (Luke 1:6-7).

Zechariah, as a part of his priestly duties in the temple, in Jerusalem, was chosen to enter the Holy Place and burn incense before the Lord (Luke 1:8) While he was ministering in the temple to the Lord, the angel Gabriel appeared to him and told him that he and Elizabeth had been chosen by God to have a son who would be the forerunner of the Messiah (verse 17). They were to present their son as a servant of God and his name would be John.

Although this was great news, Zechariah did not initially believe the angel. He objected that this could not be possible, since he and his wife were too old (Luke 1:18).

Because of Zechariah's unbelief, Gabriel told him that he would be mute until the baby was born (verse 20).

Zechariah was immediately unable to speak, and, when he came out of the temple, he had to communicate with hand gestures.

The people gathered outside the temple praying, and understood that Zechariah had seen a vision, as is read in (verse 22). Zechariah went home, and it was fulfilled, just as the angel had said, Elizabeth became pregnant (verse 24).

In Luke, we later read that the Archangel Gabriel came unto Mary, the mother of our Lord, and announced that she would conceive a son through the Holy Spirit and his name would be Jesus. After this Mary is informed that her relative Elizabeth, her cousin, is in her sixth month of pregnancy, and she travels to Hebron to visit Elizabeth. And stays with Elizabeth for about three months.

The next time Zechariah is mentioned in scripture is after the birth of his son. At the child's circumcision, Elizabeth's family and friends wanted to name the baby after Zechariah, but Elizabeth insisted that his name should be John (Luke 1:59–60). When they consulted the father Zechariah, asked for a writing tablet and "to everyone's astonishment he wrote, 'His name is John'" (verse 63). Immediately, Zechariah was able to speak and began at once to praise the Lord. In Luke 1:67–79, we find the prophetic words that Zachariah proclaimed, which has been considered as a song of thanksgiving.

The "Benedictus" of Zechariah is not only recited daily in the "Liturgy of the Hours," but it is also said during the internment of a departed loved one at the gravesite.

"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He has looked favorably on His people and redeemed them.

He has raised up a mighty Savior for us in the house of His servant David, " He spoke through the mouth of His Holy prophets from of old,

That we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

Thus He has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered His holy covenant, the oath that He swore to our ancestor Abraham.

To grant us, that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve Him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him all our days.

And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare His ways, to give knowledge of salvation to His people by the forgiveness of their sins.

By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

From Zechariah we learn that nothing is impossible for those who honestly seek God. (Luke 1:13; 18:1; 1 John 5:14–15).



THE RIGHT TO VOTE

This Tuesday, November 5th, our great nation will elect the 47th President of the United States. In this, our great democracy, the people will have a say in electing a new President.

I am anxious, as I am sure many of us are, for the future of our great nation and what the next four years will bring.

I am shocked but not surprised that we hear of foreign countries, who are trying to influence this election. The countries of Russia, China and Iran are foremost in their attempt to influence the minds and hearts of the American people through disinformation, misinformation and outright lies.

I am most importantly shocked but not surprised that there is so much hatred and negativity which exists. I am reminded of the assault on the Capitol of the United States of America, and of the events that took place on January 6, 2001. It has been predicted that a similar reaction may happen with the results of this election. May we pray that this may not happen.

When I turned 18 years of age, I registered as an independent voter. I remember casting my first vote in the 1972 Presidential Election. At that time, the Presidential candidates were the Republican candidate, Richard Nixon and the Democratic candidate, George McGovern. It was also the year that I was ordained to the Priesthood.

So why did I choose to be registered as an "Independent?" I think a lot of it had to do with my personal ideals of the honesty, integrity and temperament of each candidate for this most important office, in which they would pledge:

"I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

This Tuesday, exercise your right to vote, if you have not already done so, and may we all be guided with the wisdom and understanding, with the knowledge and counsel that comes only from God.



SOME THOUGHTS ON VOTING

Source: Parade.com

“One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors.”

- **Plato, Greek Philosopher**

"This process of election affords a moral certainty that the office of President will seldom fall to the lot of any man who is not in an eminent degree endowed with the requisite qualifications.”

-**Alexander Hamilton, American Politician and Founding Father of the U.S.**

“We do not have government by the majority. We have government by the majority who participate.”

- **Thomas Jefferson, Former U.S. President and Founding Father of the U.S.**

“The future of the republic is in the hands of the American voter.”

-**Dwight D. Eisenhower. Former U.S. President**

"The ignorance of one voter in a democracy impairs the security of all.”

- **John F. Kennedy, Former U.S. President**

“The ballot is stronger than the bullet.”

-**Abraham Lincoln, Former U.S. President**

“By voting, we add our voice to the chorus that forms opinions and the basis for actions.”

-**Jens Stoltenberg, Secretary General of NATO**

“Just because you do not take an interest in politics doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you.”

- **Pericles, Greek Statesman**

"Voting is the expression of our commitment to ourselves, one another, this country, and this world.”

- **Sharon Salzberg, American Author**

"If you don't vote, you lose the right to complain.”

- **George Carlin, American Comedian**



OUR PARISH CALENDAR

November 4th – November 9th

8:45 am Liturgy of the Hours

9:00 am Holy Mass of the Eucharist

- Mon. 11/4** **Private Prayer and Devotion**
Vitalis & Agricola, Martyrs
John of Iberia, Monk
Vharles Barromeo of Milan, Bishop
- Tue. 11/5** **Mass of Thanksgiving**
Zachary & Elizabeth, parents of John the Baptist
Bertila, Virgin & Abbess
Galatian & Episteme, Martyrs
- Wed. 10/6** **Mass of Health and Healing**
Leonard of Noblac, Monk
Melaine of Rennes, Bishop
Demetrian of Khytri, Bishop
- Thurs. 11/7** **Mass to the Most Saints of God**
Willibrord of Utrecht, Bishop
Herculanus of Perugia, Bishop & M
Florentius of Strasburg, Bishop
- Fri. 11/8** **Mass to the Holy Angels of God**
Cladius, Nicostratus, Symphoian & Castorius Martyrs
Deusdedit of Rome, Bishop
Godfrey of Amiens, Bishop
- Sat. 11/9** **Mass to the Most Holy Name of Jesus**
Theodore Tiro, Martyr
Benignus, Bishop
Vitonus of Verdun, Bisho

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024

32nd SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY

9:00 am Holy Mass to be celebrated in the Traditional rite.

Readings:

1 Kings 17:10-16

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44



PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

In our prayers, please remember all our brothers and sisters, who are sick and ill, and seek the blessings of God for health and healing.

Prayer request forms may be found in the vestibule of our Church.

Let us pray. O Lord, God of mercies, in Your kindness stretch out Your hand and heal all our brothers and sisters who are in any way ailing. Make them worthy of health, deliver them from their present sicknesses and illnessness and grant them recovery in Jesus' holy name. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



OUR PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAMS.

“Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.” - Philippians 2:4



Our Food Ministry: “To Feed the Hungry”

**“I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat.”
- Matthew 25: 35.**

The next date for giving out groceries to those in need will be held on **Saturday, November 23rd from 10 am till noon** or while supplies last.

I wish to also thank all who continue to give donations towards this most special ministry through the giving of non-perishable food items as well as monetary donations which helps us in purchasing food. At the present time, we are also using any donation made to the Mission Fund of our Church.



SOCKS FOR VETERANS

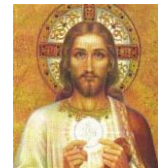
We have set up bins in our vestibule as well as in our Parish Hall to help collect socks for veterans. John Czyz and I, prior gave socks and gifts to our local veterans at the Veterans Hospital in Leeds, MA at Christmas time. A suggestion has been made that all socks and other gifts collected be given to veterans in our community this Christmas holiday. May God bless.



The Angel Garden Club of the Holy Name of Jesus

The next workday for projects dedicated to the Holy Angel of our garden. will be this Saturday, **November 9th from 10:00 am till noon** (weather permitting.) An invitation is extended to all to come.

We wish to thank all who have given of their time and effort to accomplish these projects.



ONE BREAD, ONE BODY Daily Devotions

Copies of the **“One Bread, One Body,”** a daily devotional booklet is available, free of charge, in the vestibule of our Church. These daily devotions are in tune with the readings as found in the Common Lectionary of the Christian Church.

Daily readings can be accessed on PCs by typing: **“www.usccb.org.”** For those who have smartphones, one can also download the App **“Laudate,”** which will give daily scripture readings, writings of the Early Church fathers, as well as to provide the **“Liturgy of the Hours,”** a daily devotional.



EASTERN DIOCESAN MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMISSION

During the month of November 2024, at noon, may we all pray, that we may all stand strong in our faith and be the ones that God made us to be:



Let us Pray: Almighty God, speak to our hearts whenever courage fades. Sustain us with an unyielding trust and steadfast faith, so that we may not be afraid to profess or defend our faith in You. May we stand with the same courage and perseverance of Your holy martyrs as we face the challenges placed before us. Renew us with Your unfailing love and fill us with hope in Your eternal purpose. Enlighten us to look beyond the temporary things of this world to You, the Source of all courage. We ask this through Your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed by Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us of our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and led us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.



FALL CLEANUP OF PARISH GROUNDS

As we have entered into the season of fall, we are scheduling a "Fall Cleanup" of our Parish grounds and our Parish Cemetery. With all the leaves coming

off the trees, we have over the years had our grounds professionally clean to remove all the fallen leaves as well as trimming many of our bushes and trees for the winter season. The date of this cleanup will soon be announced.

THE CLOSING OF OUR PARISH CEMETERY

As most of you know, we will be closing our Parish cemetery following the blessing of our cemetery on All Souls Day, November 2nd. The water will shortly be shut off as we prepare for the cold weather. It was decided several years ago that our cemetery would be closed from any burials from November 2nd until April 1st



HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHURCH PNCC

is sponsoring a

THANKSGIVING DINNER

to be held on

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17th at 12:00 Noon

at the

POLISH AMERICAN CITIZEN CLUB

66 N. Main Street

South Deerfield, MA

Come Join Us on

Sunday, November 17th for our

Thanksgiving Dinner

Menu to consist of Turkey, all the fixings

As well as tickets for raffle prizes

Price for tickets: \$18.00

(Only 100 tickets will be sold)

For more information please contact:

Linda Puchalski – 413-657-5362

Note: We are presently accepting donations of gift cards that will be raffled at our Thanksgiving Day Dinner. Please see Sue Dibrindisi with your donation. Thank you.

