

Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time November 18, 2018

The Parish of Saints Philip and James
1 Carow Place, St. James, NY 11780 631-584-5454



"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds from the end of the earth to the end of the sky"

Mark 13:24-32

"With Philip & James we pray to live lives worthy of the call to be Apostles of Hope"

Daily Mass: 7:30am and 9:15 am
Saturday 5pm Sunday: 8am 10 am 12noon

Sunday ~ Closed Monday: 9am-8pm Parish Center office Hours

Tuesday & Wednesday: 9am-8pm Thursday: 9am-5pm Friday: Closed Saturday: 10am-2pm

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Sacraments

<u>Baptism</u> Celebrated twice per month. Parents are asked to register at the Pastoral Center for Pre-Baptism Program.

<u>Marriage-Couples</u> are asked to contact the Pastoral Center before visiting the reception hall. The Marriage Preparation process is nine months before your proposed wedding date.

Confirmation-Seventh and Eighth grade students are prepared to celebrate through Religious Ed or SSPJ School. Adults prepare through RCIA.

Reconciliation - Available Saturdays from 4:00pm-5:00pm in the Church or by contacting the Parish Center for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick— In case of serious, unexpected illness, please contact the Parish Center office to arrange for a Priest to pray with the person who is ill. Anointing of the Sick is held on the first Sunday of the month following the 12:00mass please see the Sacristan before mass

R.C.I.A— Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (non-Catholic adults desiring to become Catholic) are asked to contact the Parish Center Office.

Eucharistic Adoration In The Church - Thursday 2-4pm Friday 8-9pm

Father Tom's Letter

Dear Friends,

Our readings this weekend and next speak of end times. They can leave uneasy and/or hopeful. Fr. Jude Siciliano, OP, says,

In our part of the world, the days are getting shorter; darkness seems to be gaining the upper hand. In a couple weeks, when the days will be still shorter, we will celebrate Advent. It's in our bones — when the days are the darkest we look for light. We express our hope that God's light will shine in our darkness. God will not leave us to trip and get lost, but will provide a light to show us the path to back to God.

But first there are things that need tending...that need ending! So, this weekend and next the readings remind us that the world is passing away; it must pass away. False securities and shallow guarantees will not sustain us in times of strife and testing. God alone must be our hope. God's ways must be our ways, so that when our securities and misplaced confidences fail us we can turn our eyes to God's saving light....

If the suffering first Christians and we moderns were to ask Jesus, from the midst of our crazy world's whirlwind, "Who's in charge here anyway? And when is this all going to end?" He would say again what he once said: "You must trust my word. God is in charge and God knows the schedule. Meanwhile, you must be prepared for my return as you continue to live lives faithful to my word."

This weekend about 70 of our young people make the journey to Shelter Island to be encountered by the Lord as they retreat with Him. Let's keep them in mind and heart!

We are very happy this weekend to install at both the 5pm and the 10am Masses members of our newest ministry, the Light Bearers. These are seventh and eighth graders who make a ten week commitment to come to know, model and serve in the Children's Liturgy of the Word. Thank you for your "yes"!

At the 5pm Mass on Saturday we are delighted to welcome the families of our fourth grades in both Religious Ed and SSPJ School. Our young ones will serve as ushers, greeters, servers and singers at the Mass and additionally will introduce us to a new saint, St. Oscar Romero.

On Sunday we look forward to welcoming the first grade families to the 10am Mass and welcome all to join downstairs after Mass for hospitality.

Happy Thanksgiving to all! And thank you for sharing your faith and yourselves at SSPJ. We are growing, loving and hoping to invite many more into the many parish ministries which bring Christ to life! A great way to begin our Thanksgiving celebrations is at the Eucharistic table. Thanksgiving Liturgies will be celebrated Wednesday evening at 7:30pm and Thursday morning at 9:15am.

Coming up soon is our final evening on Thomas Merton. The sessions have received rave reviews. You need not have attended previously to benefit from Dr. Tom Petriano's thoughtful input. All are welcome Monday evening, November 26th at 7 pm in the Bethany Center.

I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving – and with apologies in advance.....

A lady was looking for a turkey but couldn't find one big enough.

She asked the stock boy "Do these turkeys get any bigger?"

The stock boy replied "No they're dead."

A potato and a sweet potato were playing on the playground. The sweet potato told the potato, "Hey, I just found out I'm related to you."

The potato said," No you're are not!"

The sweet potato said back, "Yes, I yam."

Hope your Turkey is moist and your stuffing in fluffy and when you're done eating you'll be nice and stuffy

Peace,

Father Tom

Apostles: We Who Are Sent...Hope: God's constant gift of new possibilities

Those Irish Eyes are Smilin Upon SSPJ

Have you ever dreamed about finding the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow? It's very possible, since the Magic of Ireland is coming to SSPJ! And we're all invited to participate!

As you see from the flyer on the opposite page, this March we're celebrating in a big way. Beginning with prayer and Mass, moving on to dining and dancing, The Magic of Ireland is an exciting opportunity for our parish community to come together, remembering tales from the past and creating wonders for the future while thoroughly enjoying the present.

As we come together, we deepen old friendships and birth new ones. As we pray, laugh, dance and toast one another, we celebrate the graced history of SSPJ, recognizing the Lord's constant presence on our journeys. And as our journeys continue, we gratefully ask the Lord's guidance as we move forward.

This community-building event will also be a fund raiser. Through the generosity of many sponsors along with support of our parishioners, we'll be able to continue our efforts to restore and revitalize our parish community. Please prayerfully consider sponsorship of this event to help us reach our goal.

This special evening promises to be a rainbow of wonder. The gift of Mass, Irish prayers and hymns, good food and drink, Irish music and dance, caring, fun-loving people (and perhaps a few leprechauns) all lead to that amazing pot of gold – the SSPJ community - rooted in God's love, hope and promise.

We want this to be a major fun, faith filled celebration! Won't you please be a part of it? We a little green and contribute a little green. Let's all be Irish for a night.

Father Tom O'Haggerty

I am interested in becoming a:	
Saint Patrick's Sponsor at \$1,000	
Shamrock Sponsor at \$500	
Celtic Sponsor at \$250.	
Leprechaun Sponsor at \$100	
My Contact Information: Name as you would like it to appear in acknowledgement	t
Contact #:	
Accepting sponsorship from November 15th, 2018 ~ February 1st, 2019	

Kindly return Sponsorship form to Parish Center Office

For more information please contact Marianne Koke at 631-335-7111

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Save the Date!! March 2, 2019

The Parish of Sts. Philip & James is planning a BIG EVENT!

The Magic of Ireland.. Everybody's Irish Tonight!"

Featuring

Gerry Finlay and the Cara Band

Renowned Irish musicians who have graced the St. Patrick's Day parade in NYC for many years!

Please watch the BULLETIN as more details will follow...

We are seeking Sponsors to lead the way toward that "Pot of Gold:"

Saint Patrick's Sponsor ~ \$1,000

Includes prominent acknowledgement in the church lobby, church bulletin,

and Parish website and Four complimentary tickets to the event.

Shamrock Sponsor ~ \$500

Includes prominent acknowledgement in the church lobby, church bulletin and Parish website and

Two complimentary tickets to the event

Celtic Sponsor ~ \$250

Acknowledgement in church lobby, church bulletin and on Parish website and

One complementary ticket to the event.

Leprechaun Sponsor ~ \$100

Acknowledgement in the church bulletin and on the Parish website

Second Collection This Weekend: November 17th & 18th For: The Campaign for Human Development

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

Please be generous in this week's second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in seven people lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25 percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.



Farish Social Ministry
Annual Tick —A—Star Trogram
Begins Next Weekend, November 24th & 25th



Our Parish Pick A Star Tradition begins next weekend, November 24th & 25th

Our Pick A Star Tree will be located at the front of the church near the statue of St. Joseph

Please choose the star (s) indicating items you would like to purchase for someone in need.

Gifts should be placed under the tree in unwrapped boxes or gift bags

No later than the weekend of December 15th & 16th

Placing the original gift star tag securely to the gift. The color of the ornament indicates it's destination.

Please place unwrapped gift cards in the basket near the Pick—A—Star tree at week-end masses only.

Or drop off at the Farish Center.

Our gifts will be delivered on Monday, December 17th to the following:

Hope House, Pax Christi, St. Christ<mark>opher Ottilie</mark> Family Services, The Learning Center, Children's Liturgy, Echo Arms, and Sr. Michelle Bremer, CSFN.

As always, thank you and God Bless you for your generosity.

Greetings and thanks from Father Leo



To My Family at SSPJ,

I miss you all so very much. I am ever grateful for your love and support.

I have some good news as the books donated by SSPJ have arrived. Each book carries a label with a thank you note so that the seminarians will remember where the books come from.

Thank you so much for all the support and love.

With love and grace, Father Leo



Meet the RCIA Catechumens, Candidates and Team

<u>Sister T</u>: Well Leo, Here are, the long awaited pictures of our RCIA Team and our SSPJ Catechumens and Candidates,

<u>Leo</u>: Thanks Sister T, what a great group of people. I hope to meet them at some point.

Sister T: You will keep your eye out for them at the Masses.



Meet the Team: (Left to Right)
Marty Rizzo, Georgia Priebe, Janet O'Hanlon,
Barbara Erias and Sister T







Meet the Catechumen's and Candidates:
(left to right)
Steven Prass, Sandra Gomez, Christine Mattar
Sabrina Caliendo and Fred Sierra

THE MEN'S FORUM

AT THE CHURCH OF SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES

A brotherhood of men dedicated to growing in their faith & discipleship in the Lord Jesus Christ.



Upcoming Meeting Dates

2018:	2019:	
Nov. 19	Jan. 7	April 1
Dec. 3	Jan. 28	May 6
	Feb. 11	May 20
	March 4	June 17
	March 18	

Monday, November 19, 2018

Format: Open Forum Discussion • Topic: Facing Scandal in the Church

On hearing all the reports of the recent scandals in the Church, one feels disgust, anger, sadness, sorrow, indignation. But should we be surprised? Certainly such things should never have happened, yet Jesus said such things were inevitable. "It is *inevitable* that stumbling blocks occur, but woe to him through whom they occur! It would be better for him if a mill-stone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea, than for him to cause one of these little ones to sin." (Luke 17:1-2). The question we must ask ourselves is, how should one respond to scandals in the Church? Some leave. Many complain. But besides responding emotionally, how does one respond in faith and charity? What would Jesus want his followers to do? This coming Monday the Men's Forum will have their first open forum of the year, to discuss what exactly is going on in the Church and why, and most importantly, what we ought to do about it. The world needs to see the Church is good and has many faithful Catholics too. Are we going to be the evidence?

LOCATION: Main Church: 359 Clinton Avenue, Saint James, NY 6:30 PM: Adoration • 7:30 PM: Open Forum • 8:30 PM: Coffee & Cake Come for all, or part of our evening's schedule • No membership required. Open to all men!

Website: www.sspjmensforum.org



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Music Ministry

This week two special things are happening. Not only is November 22
Thanksgiving but it is also the feast of St. Cecilia, the patroness of Musicians.
Combined choirs will be singing at the 9:15 am Mass on Thanksgiving Day. We give thanks to God for all he has done and continues to do for us and we receive a special blessing from St. Cecilia on this her feast day.

Prayer to St. Cecilia

St. Cecilia, heroic martyr who stayed faithful to Jesus your divine bridegroom, give us faith to rise above our persecutors and to see in them the image of our Lord.

We know that you were a musician and we are told that you heard angels sing.
Inspire musicians to gladden the hearts of people by filling the air with God's
gift of music and reminding them of the Divine Musician
Who created all beauty.

"Shine like lights in the world, as you hold on to the word of life" Phil 2:15

We Welcome All to Participate in Our 2018 Tree Lighting Ceremony

On Saturday, December 1st, 2018 after the 5:00mass

This year we offer a new opportunity to remember in your hearts "the lights of your loved ones" during this holiday season.

Our Christmas tree located on the front lawn of the rectory will be lit memorializing our loved ones on December 1st, 2018

Hot cocoa and Cookie reception immediately to follow

Those who wish to remember their loved ones with this special tribute, are asked to complete the form below and return it to the Parish center office by the following dates:

Thursday, November 29th ~ For name to be announced at the tree lighting ceremony

Friday, December 14th ~ For names to be published in our Christmas bulletin

All names received by December 14th will be printed in our Christmas bulletin

\$5.00 donation per each name being memorialized

"Let their lights shine not only in our hearts, but, in our Parish"

	Annual Tree Lighting Memorial			
Let the Light of:				
	Illuminate the SSPJ Chri	istmas Tree this Christmas season and in my heart. <u>Remembered by:</u>		
Contact#:				
Amount Paid:	Number of Names	x \$5.00 per name = Total Enclosed \$		
		h payment and return to Parish center office by: November 29th fo		

Religious Education Ministry: For the Week of November 18th

COMMUNION I GRADE 1

MASS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH AT 10AM



Light reception to follow.

A few reminders regarding REFLECTIONS:
Remember, please walk up the center isle slowly, and bow in reverence to the Altar

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU WRITE YOUR NAME UPON THE REFLECTION AS WELL AS YOUR GRADE AND TEACHERS NAME.

You are doing great! Our Reflection Readers LOVE to read your wonderful reflections!!

MANDATORY ENROLLMENT IN FLOCK NOTES PROGRAM FOR ALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS

Dear Parents,

We've adopted a **new** and **improved** way of communicating that will make it much simpler for you to get the information you want from us! It's powered by a service called *Flocknote*.

By just taking a few minutes to sign up, you'll be able to receive email or text messages from Religious Education .

AS WE APPROACH WINTER WEATHER, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAMILES ARE ENROLLED IN FLOCK NOTES.

Simple Instructions:

On your cell phone press the Text application button. For Religious Education Parents and Catechists follow the instructions below.

For First and Second Grade Parents or Catechists: TEXT the word SSPJ-Communion (no spaces) to number 84576 and follow the instructions on your phone and you're done.

For Third thru Sixth Grade Parents or Catechists: TEXT the word SSPJ-CRE (no spaces) to number 84576 and follow the instructions on your phone and you're done.

For Seventh and Eighth Grade Parents or Catechists: TEXT the word

SSPJ-Confirm (*no spaces*) to number **84576** and follow the instructions on your phone and you're done.

.And it's important for you to know that you can update your communication preferences or unsubscribe from any of these updates at any time!

Trayer of the Month For November, 2018



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.

Amen



NOVEMBER 18, 2018

Thirty-third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Gospel: Mark 13: 24-32

To be returned on Sunday November 25th If you didn't attend

Children's Liturgy of the Word

My Catechist "Teacher's" Name Is:



AT THE END OF TIME
JESUS WILL
COME AGAIN
BUT WHEN? No one knows
when except
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My prayer this week:

Thank you, God for loving us
Help us learn to love others.
We are happy that we will
be with you always.
Amen

I can prep	are my heart so	that I am ready	r for <mark>w</mark> hen Jesus co	mes again by:
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SUNDAY MASS REFLECTION:

GRADES: 4, 5 & 6



PLEASE RETURN NEXT WEEKEND

NOVEMBER 24th & 25th

Welcome to the Thirty-third Sunday In Ordinary Time ~ November 18th, 2018

Mark 13: 24-32

Jesus teaches about the signs of the coming of the Son of Man

What signs did Jesus say will signal the end times?		
Who	does Jesus say knows when these things will happen?	
Jesus ne	ver wants us to be frightened by these signs or ever be fearful	
	Many things change, but Jesus' words to us and	
	God's love for us will never change.	
	What things do you notice change?	

My prayer for the week:

Thank you God for the great, unending love that you show us by sending Jesus to our lives.

We love you and are so grateful for all of the blessings we share together.

Amen





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SUNDAY MASS REFLECTIONS

Confirmation I & II (Grades 7 & 8)

Student's Name:	Grade:
Name of Teacher/Catechist:	
Mass Readings: Deuteronomy 12:1 -3; Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-1	0, 11; Hebrews 10:11 - 14; Mark 13:24 - 32
	TIME, NOVEMBER 17/18, 2018
PLACE COMPLETED PAPER IN THE "APOSTLE OF I	HOPE BASKET" AT MASS NEXT WEEKEND (Nov 24/25)
Reflection-	
	In this week's Gospel reading, Jesus describes his second coming like this: In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky. Jesus also tells us to be watchful: Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates.
How would you describe the differences between Jesus' felect' from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the What do you think some of the signs of his second coming. How can you better prepare for his second coming?	

THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS

The Respect Life Committee wish to thank all who purchased Christmas Cards, participated in our raffle. or made a donation to the support of the mothers with challenges during their pregnancy. All your donations will be sent to those in need during this Advent season.

The winners of our Raffle Prizes are as follows:
Princess Stamp Set -- Carol
Musical Kneeling Santa and book --- G Fallon
Lighted Door Decoration ---- J. LaCorte
Mary with child statue --- Carol Heffron
Super Hero Book with head lamp --- Carey
Advent Calendar and book --- E. Poerio
God Bless all as we look forward to our season of
Advent preparation for the coming of the Lord. You
have made so many families and babies happy
If you still need Christmas Cards,
Please call 631-862-9370

Support Boy Scout Troop 7: Wreath Sale

Boy Scout Troop 7 of St. James will be holding a Christmas Wreath sale before and after each mass on Saturday, Nov. 24 and Sunday, Nov. 25.

All wreathes are beautifully decorated.
Three sizes will be available.

The cost is \$15 for small, \$20 for medium and \$30 for large. Support your local Boy Scouts Troop with your purchase.

May you and your family have a blessed holiday

Order beautiful Christmas cards and support Sts. Philip and James School!!!

Enter our unique school code and receive 15% off all Holiday card and gift purchases. Sts. Philip and James will receive 15% back on each order.

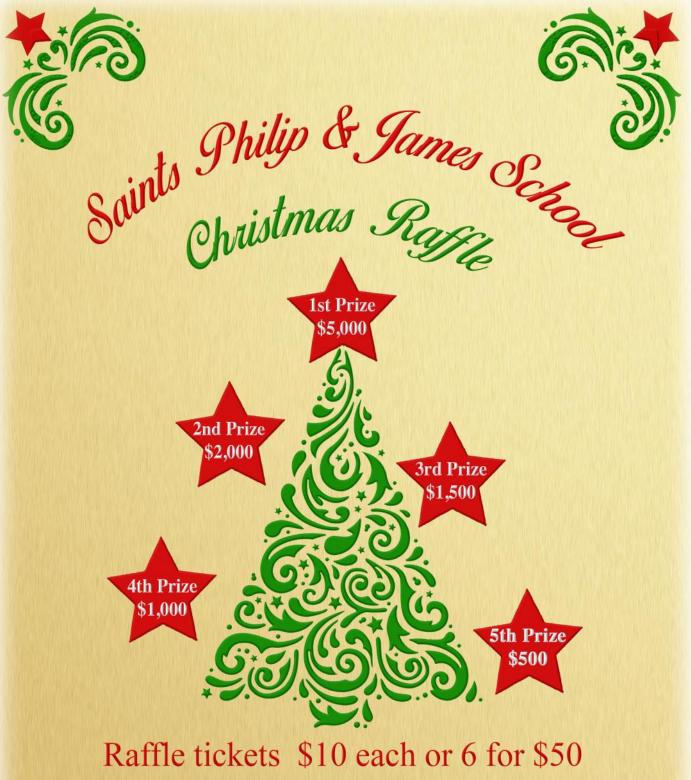
Simply enter: FUNDRAISESPJS when placing your order.

Your promo code will be active during the month of November starting on 11/01 through 11/30.

Enjoy the Minted difference. Minted uses independent artists to create unique designs on premium cardstock.

Any questions, feel free to contact Jennine Cullen at (631)871-9973.







Drawing to be held on Sunday, December 16th, 2018

Winner need not be present at drawing



Saints Philip and James School is pleased to invite you to join us for a Sunday morning

Breakfast with Santa



Every family advance reservation receives a <u>\$5 off</u> coupon for a purchase at the SSPJ Christmas Tree Sale!

Sunday, December 2, 2018 SSTJ Auditorium 9:00 a.m. To 12:00 p.m.

CRAFT * PHOTO WITH SANTA * RAFFLES

Hot breakfast

For more information call text Lisa Favorito at 516-819-8409

Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 28th

Family name:	Phone:	
	Number of Adults @ \$12 per person	\$
	Number of Children 4-12 @ \$ 6 per person	\$
	Number of Children 3 and under	\$ FREE
	Total Enclosed	\$

Make checks payable to: SSPJ School Guild, 359 Clinton Avenue, St. James, NY 11780

SSPJ School News!

The Good News of SSPJ School!

Sister Theresita visited the classrooms during National Vocation Awareness Week and spoke to the children about vocations. Students were given the opportunity to ask Sister T questions about her vocation! It was a wonderful experience for all.









Father Tom blessed the Prayer Bags the second graders made during the week in class.





Jack and Aidan responded to the call of being an Apostle of Hope and joined the Lector Ministry.





Both Jack and Aidan as well as all our Youth Lectors are trained and encouraged by Rita Byrne

SSPJ Parish Calendar For The Week of November 18th, 2018

Sunday, November 18th, 2018: 8:00am CDA Bake Sale

8:30am RCIA

10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word

10:00am REO First Grade Class Mass 11:00am REO First Grade Mass Reception

11:00am Stained Glass

1:00pm Peanut Butter & Jelly Gang

2:00pm Virtus Training

7:00pm AA Meeting School Lobby/Outside Cantina Auditorium

Church

Auditorium Stained Glass Wkshp

Auditorium

Bethany Center Main

Philip & James Room

Monday, November 19th, 2018

7:00pm Women's Voices 7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting

7:30pm Men's Forum

Bethany Center Meeting Room 1 Auditorium

Bethany Center Main

Tuesday, November 20th, 2018:

1:30pm Spirit of Love Prayer Group

7:00pm Catholic Daughters Meeting <u>7</u>:30pm Chords of Faith

7:30pm KOC District Deputy Meeting Prayer Room Main Church Auditorium

Church & Choir Loft Philip & James Room

Wednesday, November 21st, 2018:

7:00pm Youth Ministry Mass

Church

Thursday, November 22nd, 2018: ~ Thanksgiving Day



A Blessed Thanksgiving to All

Friday, November 23rd, 2018:

7:00pm AA Meeting

8:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

Philip & James Room Church

Saturday, November 24th, 2018

4:30pm Boy Scout Wreath Sale

Outside Church

Sunday, November 25th, 2018:

7:00am Boy Scout Wreath Sale

8:30am RCIA

11:00am Stained Glass Club

7:00pm AA Meeting **Outside Church**

Cantina

Stained Glass Wksp

Philip & James Room

Mary D'Andrea Maria Hickey Udienza Ciancarelli **Thanks Giving Mass Schedule:**

Wednesday November 21st: 7:00 mass Thanksgiving Day: 9:15 Mass

Father all-powerful, your gifts of love are countless and your goodness infinite. On Thanksgiving Day we come before you with gratitude for your kindness: open our

hearts to concern for our fellow men and women, so that we may share your gifts in loving service.

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. Amen.

ITS TIME FOR A WONDERFUL BAKE

SALE:

THIS WEEKEND:

NOVEMBER 17TH & 18TH

The Catholic Daughters are hosting a Thanksgiving Bake Sale next weekend after all masses in the school lobby. Please stop by for a special treat!

ADULT EDUCATION

THOMAS MERTON A SPIRITUAL GUIDE FOR OUR TIME

> **CONTEMPLATION AND COMPASSION**

NOVEMBER 26TH

BETHANY CENTER MAIN

7PM-9PM

Presented By: Thomas Petriano-Professor and Chair of Religious Studies at St.

Joseph College. Suggested donation: \$10.

Weekly Collecton: Sunday November 11th, 2018

Sunday Collection: \$11,833. Faith Direct: \$3,823 Children's Jug: \$60.

Total Collection: \$15,716.

Many thanks for your generous support of Sts. Philip & James Parish



Mass Intentions, For the week of November 18th, 2018

Saturday, November 17th, 2018

5:00pm

Eva Maria Alaimo

Sunday, November 18th, 2018

For the Parishioners of SSPJ

8:00am 10:00am 12:00Noon

Madeline Lovetta Collective Mass: Eileen Frazita Louis Rauchenberger Mary A. Pedersen Philip Sodano

Sophia Kajenski

Monday, November 19th, 2018

7:30am 9:15am

Travis Surasky Eileen Frazita

Tuesday, November 20th, 2018

7:30am 9:15am Lester Albert Johnson James Ginty

We Ask You to Remember Our Brothers & Sisters In your Prayers

Anna Capizzio Angela Amoroso Angelo Peluso Angela Boccio McComb AnnMarie M. Baby Mattia Lubrano Betty Schmidt **Brett Dowling** Brennan Steinorth Brvan Van Colt Camden Bailey Carmela Massaro Carole Hennessy Catherine Burseind Charlie Keenan Christel DeBlasio Christina Meringolo Christopher Paul Daisy Abruzzo David Shankles

Dawn Kopel Dolores Weisenreider Dominic Pace Dylan Lauro Éileen Zink Elinor Glasser Eugene Krug Florence Donahue

Frank Orlik Frank DeFranco Gerard Duffy Ginny McAuley

Greg Helen McDowell Hillary Boehme James Gietzen Jane Prato Jane Wigutow Jeanine Esposito Tansey

Jim Kelly Joseph Joseph Perconti Joe Alberigo John Capizzio

Jean McCue John Harney John Hernandez Julianne Joan Ward

Kylie Quigley Joseph Laura Andrucki & family Linda Sue Livia Parrella Louis Giordano Mark Montesano Marie DelCiello, Marie Fabry Mary McDonough Michael LaVecchia Michael Vasiento Nancy Fornabia Nicole Theresa Nicole Devlin Pam Brandon Pasquale Santoro Patricia Casey Pat Corev Patricia Fontana Patricia Monetti Patricia Thompson Paulette Agoglia Regina Powers Richard Cembrale Roe Hetterich Russell Caiola Robert & Madeline Gaude Robin Graham Denis Rosemary Morgan Sean Winters Suzanne McCue Terence Hobbes Teresa Orlik

Thomas McKay

Thomasine Morrison

Tim Kelly

Tim Cavooris

Terry Pace

Vivien Cordes

Vickie Archdeacon Gibb

Kathleen N.

Kathleen Corcoran

Kitty Cronin,

Krista Farley

Wednesday, November 21st, 2018-The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Janet Goldrick 7:30am 9:15am Linda Prew 7:00pm

Thursday, November 22nd, 2018 Thanksgiving Day

9:15am

Collective Mass: Margaret Towers (Living) Kathleen O'Connor

Friday, November 23rd, 2018

7:30am

9:15am

Thomas Fox

Frank Sapienza

Saturday, November 24th, 2018-St. Andrew Sung-Lac

9:15am

Edwin Reid

5:00pm

Eric Charles Worden

Sunday, November 25th, 2018

8:00am 10:00am 12:00Noon For The Parishioners of SSPJ Dan Walsh

Collective Mass: Michael A. Delcore Stanley Czwartacki

(Deceased)Raymond Donavan & Kathleen Donavan (Living) Leonard Pecora

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PRESIDER SCHEDULE-FOR November 24th & 25th, 2018

Saturday, November 24, 2018 5:00 PM	Sunday, November 25, 2018 8:00 AM MASS	Sunday, November 25, 2018 10:00 AM MASS	Sunday, November 25, 2018 12:00 MASS
Father Patrick Osei-Poku	Father Patrick Osei-Poku	Father Tom Haggerty	Father Tom Haggerty
		Deacon Ron	Deacon Ron

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE - FOR November 24th & 25th, 2018

Saturday, November 24, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018
5:00 PM	8:00 AM MASS	10:00 AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
R. Byrne	C. Haff	D. Bleggi	M. Hoonhout
P. Damato	W. Haff	R. Bleggi	E. Law
D. Doran	J. Harvey	T. Boboris	M. McCreesh
J. Duffy	A. Mantia	T. Cafaro	M. Peykar
D. Earl	P. Martin	M. Dolce	P. Roman
E. Kaleita	W. Ramos	C. Donnelly	C. Rubano
P. Kaletia	K. Rapp	A. Giordano	V. Rubano
A. Keenan	E. Sica	A. Henchel	C. Zito
H. Keenan	T. Sica	L. Keane	G. Zito
G. Priebe	W. Van Gostein	J. Kirdahy	M. Laub

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE - FOR November 24th & 25th, 2018

Saturday, November 24, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018
5:00PM MASS	8:00AM MASS	10:00 AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
A. Balocca	K. Dobkowski	G. Cusumano	N. Hoonhout
M. Pappas	T. Dorrian	N. Cusumano	Sanchez-Rincon
B. Doran	B. Tobin	P. Cusumano	D. Sanchez-Rincon
C. Williams	V. Chaippone	O. Jacobs	A. Frankenberger
		J. Prew	B. Frankenberger

LECTOR SCHEDULE - FOR November 24th & 25th, 2018

Saturday, November 24, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018	Sunday, November 25, 2018
5:00PM MASS	8:00 AM MASS	10:00AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
M. Drechsler	M. Koke	E. Nicastro	G. Hoonhout
A. Brown	L. Halluska	A. Kaiser	L. Just

Getting Ready for Next Sunday

November 25th— Feast of Jesus Christ the King — Cycle B

Scripture Readings ONLINE

The website of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops provides the text of the Scripture Readings. Go to: www.usccb.org. Click on the date.

Reflections on Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Daniel 7:13-14 Psalm 93
Revelation 1:5-8 John 18:33b-37

Historically, kings and queens have been known to sacrifice responsibility for their people to ensure personal wealth and luxury. Contemporary leaders are just as prone to banquets in the palace even if it means hunger in the streets, but this Sunday's readings show that royalty and service go hand in hand.

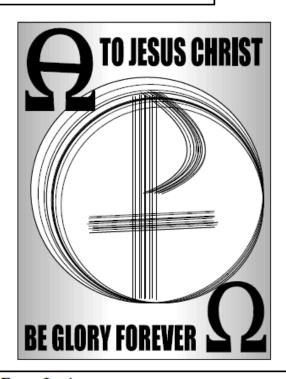
The author of Daniel encourages the people to remain faithful to their religious convictions. This is not easy in the face of constant persecution from Antiochus IV Epiphanes (about 165 B.C.). They are promised that "one like a human being" will come from heaven to help them. Faithful Jewish royalty are called to serve!

The audience addressed in the second reading is also suffering persecution. They are tempted to say "Caesar is Lord," rather than "Jesus is Lord." The author contrasts the pagan king and Christ as king. Jesus is ruler of the kings of earth and the price he pays is his own blood. The result is "a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father" (Revelation 1:6).

Kingship and involvement go together in John. Since Pilate does not wish to get involved in God's Word, he shuns Jesus' question about the title "King of the Jews." Jesus explains that his kingdom is one of truth, not of politics. In the fourth gospel, Jesus goes to his death as a king. The crucifixion is Jesus' enthronement, the ultimate expression of royal service.

All three readings tell us that only those who serve are worthy of the crown. Baptism brings royalty to believers, a royalty that means everyday service to all who cross our paths, especially the poor.

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For reflection...

The people of Jesus' time often found it hard to understand and follow his teaching. Jesus was leading along a different path from the culture of the day. How is that still true today?

What does being a "king" mean for Pilate? What does it mean for Jesus?

In baptism, we are anointed "priest, prophet and king". What does this mean to you? How do you live this out?

Jesus is the "Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end". What does this mean for you? How does this affect the way you live your life?

Who in today's world do you think tries to model Jesus' example of "servant king"?

Spiritual Reflection by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

DUAL CITIZENSHIP

I live on both sides of a border. Not a geographical one, but one which is often a dividing line between two groups.

I was raised a conservative Roman Catholic, and conservative in most other things as well. Although my dad worked politically for the Liberal party, most everything about my upbringing was conservative, particularly religiously. I was a staunch Roman Catholics in every way. I grew up under the papacy of Pius XII (the fact that my youngest brother is named Pius, will tell you how loyal our family was to that Pope's version of things). We believed that Roman Catholicism was the one true religion and that Protestants needed to convert and return to the true faith. I memorized the Roman Catholic catechism and defended its every word. Moreover, beyond being faithful church-goers, my family was given over to piety and devotions: we prayed the rosary together as a family every day; had statues and holy pictures everywhere in our house; wore blessed medals around our necks; prayed litanies to Mary, Joseph, and the Sacred Heart; and practiced a warm devotion to the saints. And it was wonderful. I will forever be grateful for that religious foundation.

I went from my family home to the seminary at the tender age of seventeen and my early seminary years solidly reinforced what my family had given me. The academics were good and we were encouraged to read great thinkers in every discipline. But this higher learning was still solidly set within a Roman Catholic ethos that valued all the things religiously and devotionally I'd been raised on. My studies were still friends with my piety. My mind was expanding, but my piety remained intact.

But home is where we start from. Gradually though through the years my world changed. Studying at different graduate schools, teaching on different graduate faculties, being in daily contact with other expressions of the faith, reading contemporary novelists and thinkers, and having academic colleagues as cherished friends has, I confess, put some strain on the piety of my youth. It's no secret; we don't often pray the rosary or litanies to Mary or the Sacred Heart in graduate classrooms or at faculty gatherings.

However academic classrooms and faculty gatherings bring something else, something vitally needed in church pews and in circles of piety, namely, wider theological vision and critical principles to keep unbridled piety, naïve fundamentalism, and misguided religious fervor within proper boundaries. What I've learned in the academic circles is also wonderful and I am forever grateful for the privilege of higher education.

But, of course, that's a formula for tension, albeit a healthy one. Let me use someone else's voice to articulate this. In a recent book, *Silence and Beauty*, a Japanese-American artist, Makoto Fujimura, shares this incident from his own life. Coming out of church one Sunday, he was asked by his pastor to add his name to a list of people who had agreed to boycott the film, *The Last Temptation of Christ*. He liked his pastor and wanted to please him by signing the petition, but felt hesitant to sign for reasons that, at that time, he couldn't articulate. But his wife could. Before he could sign, she stepped in and said: "Artists may have other roles to play than to boycott this film." He understood what she meant. He didn't sign the petition.

But his decision left him pondering the tension between boycotting such a movie and his role as an artist and critic. Here's how he puts it: "An artist is often pulled in two directions. Religiously conservative people tend to see culture as suspect at best, and when cultural statements are made to transgress the normative reality they hold dear, their default reaction is to oppose and boycott. People in the more liberal artistic community see these transgressive steps as necessary for their 'freedom of expression'. An artist like me, who values both religion and art, will be exiled from both. I try to hold together both of these commitments, but it is a struggle."

That's also my struggle. The piety of my youth, of my parents, and of that rich branch of Catholicism is real and life-giving; but so too is the critical (sometimes unsettling) iconoclastic, theology of the academy. The two desperately need each other; yet someone who is trying to be loyal to both can, like Fujimura, end up feeling exiled from both. Theologians also have other roles to play than boycotting movies.

The people whom I take as mentors in this area are men and women who, in my eyes, can do both: Like Dorothy Day, who could be equally comfortable, leading the rosary or the peace march; like Jim Wallis, who can advocate just as passionately for radical social engagement as he can for personal intimacy with Jesus, and like Thomas Aquinas, whose intellect could intimidate intellectuals, even as he could pray with the piety of a child.

Circles of piety and the academy of theology are not enemies; they need to embrace.