



Mass Intentions

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 9, 2019

Saturday– Nov 9th –

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Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Thomas and Michael Dopsovic
by Sister, Agnes Chabak
7:00PM – Christa Van Horn (B)
by Eileen Henitz

Sunday – Nov 10th –

8:30AM – Agnes and Homer Collis
by Family
10:30AM – Thomas Vincent Tomasic
by John and Dorothy Petrella

Monday – Nov 11th – St Martin of Tours

8:00AM – Catherine Mahon (A)
by Daughter, Barbara Knarr

Tuesday – Nov 12th – St Josaphat

8:00AM – Margaret and Charles McCarty
by Kathleen and Peggy

Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass

Wednesday – Nov 13th –

St Frances Xavier Cabrini

6:00PM – Hattie E. O'Donnell (B)
by McCloskey Family

Thursday – Nov 14th – St Lawrence O'Toole

8:00AM – Memorial Fund Members
by The Memorial Fund

Friday – Nov 15th – St Albert the Great

8:00AM – Bob Spengler and Bernadine Wehr
by Ann and Dale

Saturday– Nov 16th – St Gertrude

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – James Cerulli (A)
by Daughter, Rosemary Barna
7:00PM – Helen Sidor
by Louis and Jeanne Szemenyei

Sunday – Nov 17th –

8:30AM – Phyllis S. Roman
by Eugene and Diane Piervallo
10:30AM – Rosa Cunningham
by Mary Beth and Dave Arner

PASTOR'S CORNER

A Mysterious Disease [Part Three]

“Thomas?” the nurse called out from the door to the doctors’ offices into the waiting room.

“We’re here!” Maureen called out as she collected her son and her purse and headed into the examination rooms.

The nurse pointed the way forward, file in hand, into examining room 3. Thomas, with his youthfulness intact, jumped up on the table with the paper on it. He sat there dangling his legs off the ground while the nurse took all the vitals. She turned to Maureen, “And what’s the reason Thomas is here with us today?”

“Well, we’ve had some concerns about the vaccine’s effectiveness, and whether or not an early booster could help.”

“Oh, I see.” The nurse typed frantically on her keyboard, then wrapping things up she swept up her computer and file and headed for the door, “Okay. Dr. Penrose will be with you in a moment. Have a good day.”

Five minutes later there was a knock on the door, and Dr. Penrose entered with her usual cordial smile, “Hi, Thomas...hi, Maureen! What’s going on with you today?”

Maureen inhaled and in one fell swoop filled the doctor in on the recent worrisome questions and thoughts of her ten-year-old son. Then she queried, “Does he need a booster or something?”

“Well, I don’t know about *that*, but Thomas, can I remind you about how this vaccine works? Remember, this disease can take over a person’s mind and heart and direct their choices and actions each day. So, when you were five, your Mom brought you in for the vaccine. In the shot we gave you there were broken and weakened infecting viruses of the disease – not enough to sicken you with the disease, but enough to get your body to



Pray the Rosary Sundays
8:15AM and 10:15AM

produce anti-bodies to cue in on the disease and kill it should you ever be actually infected.”

Speech over, Dr. Penrose continued, “So, as your Mom just told me, you started asking questions about your Grandpa and what’s happening to him now that he’s dead. What do you think is happening to him, Thomas?”

“Well, he wasn’t always a nice guy...he scared us, and hurt Mommy...how can he be in heaven? I thought God was fair. That doesn’t seem fair to me. He never said he was sorry...even when he got sick.”

Maureen edited, “Tommy, Grandpa did do some bad things, but God is merciful and always loves us. So, Grandpa is in heaven.”

“How do you know that for sure, Mom?” asked Tommy. One of my friends told me how his grandmother used to pray every day for dead people in her family, and when he asked her why she did that when everybody goes to heaven she answered, “It’s not because they were so bad, but because God and His heaven are so good!”

Dr. Penrose interrupted, “I’ll get a booster ready, Maureen,” and, turning toward Thomas, “this won’t hurt a bit. I’ll be right back.”

“Mom,” Tommy asked with worried look, “what’s wrong with me?”

Dear Reader: What disease is infecting Thomas? What is the vaccine to this disease?

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection

\$4,144.00

The **Second** Collection next weekend, **November 16th** and **17th**, will be the **Poverty Relief Collection**.



DONUT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, November 17th, is Donut Sunday. Thank you to **Bill and Connie Molchany**, who are sponsoring this month’s event in memory of **Bill Molchany, Sr.** Please stop by after the **8:30am and 10:30am Masses** for some coffee, tea, and some donuts!



NEXT WEEK’S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	S.Ruda L.Ruda	B.Molchany	C.Molchany
7:00PM	A.Muschko L.McGinley	J. Englert	P.McCarty
8:30AM	D.Popovic M.Popovic	J.Strohl	Deacon Jack
10:30AM	K.Gair J.Martinez	J.DeLong	Deacon Jack



Please remember in your prayers **Gertrude Loretta (Quigley) McGinley**, who passed away and was recently buried. We pray her soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Notre Dame Church

1861 Catasauqua Road, Bethlehem

The Holy Images of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Jesus, King of All Nations, will be displayed for devotions and blessings on **Friday, November 22nd**, after **8:45am Mass until 4:00pm**, and **Saturday, November 23rd**, after **8:00am Mass until 3:00pm**. **Both days will be ending with Adoration and Benediction.** The Jesus, King of All Nations Devotion calls us into forgiveness, healing and renewal of our hearts. All are invited to participate in the Novena of the Chaplet of Unity on Saturday to pray for our churches, priests, and diocese.

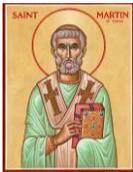
Care Packages for Deployed Military Members

Blue Star Mothers of America, Lehigh Valley Chapter PA 201 is planning to send care packages to deployed military members in a couple of weeks. If you have a military member, email their name and address to Joan Glover at jglover@ptd.net by **November 11th**.

Good Shepherd Catholic School

The Junior Drama Club presents “Winnie the Pooh Kids” on **Friday, November 22nd**, and **Sunday, November 24th**, at **2:00pm** in the school gym. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be bought at the door, or by calling 610-262-9171.

Saint Martin of Tours



Martin was born of pagan parents in Pannonia, present-day Hungary, and became a catechumen of his own initiative at the age of ten. He joined the Roman army and witnessed to his fellow soldiers by his charity until his resignation. Martin funded a monastic community in Liguge, France, on land given to him by Saint Hilary of Poitiers. In 372, he was elected Bishop of Tours. He preached tirelessly and with fervor. After his death in 397, Martin's *Vita*, the story of his life, spread throughout Europe.

~ *Magnificat*, November, 2019

Saint Albert the Great



Born of noble parents at Lauingen, along the Danube River in Germany, Albert entered the Dominican Order and rose to become an esteemed scholar in Paris and Cologne. Confident of the use of reason in the service of faith, Albert interpreted the works of Aristotle for the medieval schoolmen. He was the great scientist of his age, devoted to careful observation. Toward the end of his life, Albert suffered from memory loss. He died in 1280, in his Dominican habit, surrounded by his fellow friars.

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Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini



Born near Pavia, Italy, Frances desired to enter religious life, but was refused due to her frail health. She was given charge of an orphanage, where she took private religious vows and gathered other like-minded women. In 1880, Frances founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart and accepted a call to the Italian immigrants of New York. She and her sisters founded orphanages and schools, paying the bills at first by begging from door to door. Frances' mission took her to Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, New Orleans, and the West Coast. She collapsed in Chicago at the age of sixty-seven as she wrapped Christmas sweets for local schoolchildren. She was the first U.S. citizen to be canonized.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

St. John the Baptist Church

924 N. Front Street, Allentown

Their **Meat Bingo** will be held on **Sunday, November 17th, at 1:00pm**. Doors and kitchen open at 12:00 Noon and turkeys will be the special prizes, along with other meats! Bingo begins at 1:00pm, and only \$11.00 for 15 games. Questions, call Bill Drost at 610-432-3505.

St. Francis of Assisi Church

1046 West Cedar Street, Allentown

Will be having a Meat Bingo on **Sunday, November 24th, with doors opening at 12:00noon and games beginning at 1:00pm**. Tickets are \$20.00 for 20 games and can be purchased at the parish office at 610-433-6102.