

November 03, 2019

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1031 Chenango Street, Binghamton, New York 13901

Remembering All Who Have Died

Richard Armstrong

Anna Breski

Earl Brooks

Mildred Brush

Mary Lou Clendening

Sallie Connelly

Patricia Conrad

Marion Crane

Edward Darling

Gerald Davies

Joseph DiMascio, Jr.

Robert Dunlop

Mary Lou Ekstrom

Helen Farruggio

Margaret Feheley

Jean Galloway



Yvette Heath

Richard Kapinus

Richard Lobacz

Richard Mallinson

Tesfe Mesken

Beverly Ramey

Maureen Rhodes

Allan Roody

Kathie Rzodski

Magan Santa Croce

Santina Sardella

Rose Serafini

Betty Smith

Barbara Townsend

Jane Walsh

Esther Williams



Saturday, November 2, Vigil of Sunday
4:00 p.m. Vita Mannino by Daughter, Fina & Family

Sunday, November 3, Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People
11:00 a.m. Dorothy Pagliarella by Jim & Rose

Monday, November 4

8:00 a.m. Antonio DeLuca by Family

Tuesday, November 5

8:00 a.m. Giordi De Angelo by Mirtie & Nelson Sessler

Wednesday, November 6

8:00 a.m. Robert Mills by Laura Spenard & Family

Thursday, November 7

8:00 a.m. Dick Armstrong by John & Brenda Artman

Friday, November 8

NO MASS

Saturday, November 9, Vigil of Sunday

4:00 p.m. Lena DiDone by Selma Vinci

Sunday, November 10, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Liturgy for the People
11:00 a.m. Rose Serafini by Jean Aswad

Catherine's Cupboard

Our parish pantry is open to anyone in need of food. We are open on the **1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.** No requirements except to show ID showing who you are. A person can come as often as needed. We are here to help, not to judge. So please pass the word to anyone you think may need assistance. Canned or dry goods, plus paper & personal care products (**toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, soap, baby diapers, women's personal items**) are always needed and welcome. Drop off in the barrel at the church foyer or leave the items in the Parish Center.

Weekend's Offering (10-27-19)

Regular Envelopes.....\$4,687.00
Loose Collection.....\$365.00
Electronic Collection.....\$592.00
Total Collection.....\$5,644.00

Thank You for your generous contributions!

Faith Formation

Faith Formation for grades K-9 and Confirmation this weekend.

Confirmation 2020 classes will meet in the parish Hall in the STEM Room.

The diocesan mandated safe environment training for children will be presented this weekend (for grades K-9) during the last half of FF classes. If you choose not to have your child present for the last half of the class you may pick them up early, but you are asked to sign a release form stating that you chose not to have your child present for this training. Forms are available in the FF office. Confirmation Candidates will have the training at their retreat, January 5th.

We will have Faith Formation on November 10th. It will be regular FF for Grades K-3, Grades 4-9 will have a group lesson in the church that explains the Mass. This was a request from some of the children in FF, and it sounded like a good idea. FF will end at the usual time, and students will be dismissed from the school. You are welcome to attend as well.....

Advent Wreath sign-up sheet is available in the school. Families are invited to choose a date and Mass to light the wreath.

World Marriage Day

The 35th Annual World Marriage Day will be celebrated on Feb 16th, 2019 at 2:30pm at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Syracuse. The Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia will celebrate the Mass and invite all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. He will specially honor those couples celebrating 25th, 50th and beyond 50 years in 2020. If you are celebrating your 25th, 50th, or 50+ anniversary in 2020, please contact Delores at the parish office to receive a special invitation from Bishop Lucia. **ALL** married couples and their families are welcome. Please **RSVP before December 1st** to register.

Our Pastoral Council meeting will take place on Monday, November 4th at 7:00PM in the Parish Center

Children's Liturgy

November 9/10

4PM— Roberta Cushing/Catherine Shafer
8AM— Shirley McCray/Marie Iobst

Prayers . . .

Please remember all of our parishioners who are in hospitals and nursing homes and our homebound. Also, please pray for our deceased parishioners and loved ones especially, Louise Evans.



November 2nd: All Souls' Day

What is All Souls' Day? All Souls' Day is a solemn feast in the Roman Catholic Church remembering our loved ones and friends who have gone before us. According to Catholic tradition, it is believed that the departed do not immediately experience the reality and goodness of God and Heaven. Before entering this state of infinite peace, the deceased atones for his or her offenses against God, self, and neighbor and is purged of his/her wrongdoings. The Catholic Church calls this purification of the elect 'purgatory' and teaches that through prayers and masses, we hold up our loved ones as they journey home. While the Feast of All Saints' (celebrated November 1) is a day to remember the glories of Heaven and those there, the Feast of All Souls' is a communal celebration, as the community of the faithful is bonded by shared grieving and remembering. The feast of All Souls' also reminds us of our moral responsibility to live lives rooted in Gospel values.

One Border, One Body

Each year on November 2nd, a joint All Souls' Day and Día de los Muertos mass is held on the border between the U.S. and Mexico. The mass takes part on both sides of a 16-foot fence, in the desert where too many immigrants have lost their lives. In this arid place, people from both sides of the fence come together to celebrate the Eucharist and remember those who have passed. Love for all is the focus, not separation or exclusion. The mass is usually celebrated in Spanish on both sides, and both countries use the same colors, decorations and symbols. The Cristo Rey mountain, which straddles the border, serves as the backdrop for this unifying celebration of life and remembrance of those who have passed. The event is equal parts All Souls' Day and Día de los Muertos, and fully a communion of believers.

Prayer for All Souls' Day

*Jesus, dear Savior,
On this day we prayerfully remember
All our loved ones who have died.
Please give them comfort and hope
And may they be at peace,
Knowing that they will
Rest in God's arms eternally.
Thank You for our memories of them
And for the good times we shared.
We ask You, please,
Through their intercession,
To deepen our faith,
Strengthen our hope
And increase our love
That we, too, may someday
Stand before You,
Ready to enter Your
Holy Kingdom.
Amen*



PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN HOUR OF WITNESS,
SHARING AND PRAYER FOR OUR

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT AND DACA YOUNG PEOPLE

On Sunday, November 10th please take time to pray for the Supreme Court and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) young people as the court will begin hearing oral arguments regarding current efforts to rescind this protection.

My Lai Touring Exhibit in Binghamton

Use this 50th Anniversary of the breaking of the story in the press of the My Lai (pronounced Me-lie) Massacre to connect students and others to the human costs of war and the need to work for peace and justice.

Broome County Public Library
Thursday, November 7th from 10AM—8PM
Friday, November 8th from 10AM—5PM
Saturday, November 9th from 10AM—2PM

Civilize It: Dignity Beyond the Debate

A divided country. Fights at the dinner table. Political vitriol. What does it mean to love our neighbors in the midst of such a climate? As Catholics, we have a long tradition of engagement in the political process as a means of putting our faith into action. We are called to bring the best of ourselves and our faith to the public square and yet today, many shy away from such involvement because our national and local conversations are filled with vitriol and harsh language, often directed at people themselves. When personal attacks replace honest debate, no one wins. This kind of attack, no matter the reason, only serves to further divide our communities. We must model a better way. We invite you to join the Civilize It campaign by taking the pledge to promote civility, love our neighbors, and build community. We are called to recognize that each one of us is a beloved child of God and to respond in love to that reality. Civilize It is a non-partisan call to focus on the dignity of all people, even when we disagree, and to put faith in action by bearing witness to a better way forward. Take the pledge as an individual, family, or community. Anyone and everyone can commit together to honoring human dignity through civil conversation.

Take the pledge at: wearesaltandlight.org/civilize-it

Catherine's Cupboard Volunteer Schedule

Transportation

Week of Nov. 3rd — Nancy Oliver

Week of Nov. 10th — George & Pat Clark

Shelving (Mondays)

November 4th — E. & K. Corcoran

November 11th — J. & K. Brady

Distribution

November 5th — D. Kellett & Team #1

Attention Business Owners and Generous Parishioners!

Davis Savich will be working on updating the advertising sponsorships for our bulletin during the week of 11/4/19. Please consider advertising in our bulletin whether you're a business or charity.

If you are interested or would like more information, please call David Savich directly at 607-624-9580.

2019 Maryknoll Student Essay Contest

Courageous Missionaries

Pope Francis challenges young people in his letter *Christ Alive*, "Learn to swim against the tide, learn how to share Jesus and the faith he has given you."

Assignment: Write an essay explaining how and with whom you share the good news of God's love.

Prizes Per Division:

1st Place- \$1K 2nd Place- \$300 3rd Place- \$150

Deadline: November 15th, 2019

Division I: Grades 6-8 Division II: Grades 9-12

To enter, see Maria Kirk or

submit your entry online: maryknollsociety.org/publications/essay-contest/courageous-missionaries/

Safe Environment Training Schedule

Safe Environment Training is required for EVERYONE who works or volunteers at any catholic church regardless of whether or not they are in direct contact with children. If you have not yet had your Initial Safe Environment Training please reserve your spot at the PGC trainings listed below. If you had your Initial Training over 5 years ago, then you are due for your Recertification (EPDR).

To sign up for one of these training sessions go online: syracusediocese.org/safe-environment/initial-training-for-adults/

Initial Safe Environment Training (PGC)

Saturday, November 9th at 9:00 AM

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott

Wednesday, November 13th at 1:00 PM

Catholic Charities of Broome County, Binghamton

Tuesday, November 19th at 6:00 PM

Sts. John & Andrew, Binghamton

Thursday, December 5th at 6:00PM

St. James Church, Johnson City

Recertification Training (EPDR)

Tuesday, November 12th at 6:00 PM

Sts. John & Andrew, Binghamton

Monday, November 18th at 6:00 PM

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott

Thursday December 5th at 6:00 pm

St. James Church, Johnson City

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Shopping lists are at tables as you leave mass. We will provide a turkey or gift card plus bread to each one. Currently we have been asked to do **127 families** but if you are aware of someone in need of a basket, feel free to call the parish center (607-722-4388) with name, address and the number of people in family. We are always here to SERVE. Please purchase items requested and drop off at parish center before **NOVEMBER 19th**. Pantry area will be open before and after masses (30 minutes) for the next couple weekends. Parish center is always open during regular office hours so you can also drop off during the week. Monetary donations are welcomed also to cover our expenses. **Can YOU help on Thursday, November 21st 9:30AM for a hour or so?** That's when we set up and have everything ready to go for Saturday, November 23rd pick up. Confirmation students will help pick up our turkey's and hand out baskets.

Why Volunteer?

There are so many reasons to volunteer:

- † Lets you share your knowledge and talents.
- † Provides opportunities for making many new friends.
- † Brings the special fulfillment that comes only from helping others.
- † Helps you "get outside" yourself and put your own problems — even grief — in perspective.
- † Allows you to polish old skills and learn new ones.
- † Lets you "repay" an organization that has helped you or someone you love.

Chenango Valley Athletic Club Trivia Night

November 15th

McGirk's Blarney Room

7PM—9PM

Cost is \$20

To secure your spot email cvathleticclub@gmail.com with the name of your team and teammates ASAP.

Payment will be due on or before November 6th

Includes pizza and wings

Join CV Athletic Club for a fun night of trivia, raffle baskets, 50/50, cupcake contest, and more

Dinner Out with CV Athletics

Tuesday November 5th

5:00—8:00PM

House of Reardon



CV Athletic Club will receive 20% of all food and beverage purchases made between 5-8PM at the House of Reardon (25 Grant St, Binghamton).

CV athletes will be volunteering at this event, bussing tables and raising spirits.

Join us for dinner out! All are welcome!

**St. Francis of Assisi Lectors,
Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**
November 9th & 10th, 2019

4:00 P.M. Mass

Lector	Sally Orband
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Peggy Munson
EM Host	Carol Danoski
EM Cup	Terry Hanifin
EM Cup	Debby Carden
EM Cup	Dom Lomonaco
EM Cup	Ethan Glenn
Altar Server	Tyler Norton
Altar Server	Dominic Lomonaco
Altar Server	Calliope Brennan

8:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Kurt & Kelly Mohney
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	Donna or Scott Iglar
EM Host	Ed White
EM Cup	Steve Baxter
EM Cup	Denise Baxter
EM Cup	Melissa Kliment
EM Cup	Suzanne Carr
Altar Server	Kathryn White
Altar Server	Lauren White

11:00 A.M. Mass

Lector	Rose O'Neil
EM Host	Dc. Steve
EM Host	David Hanzes
EM Host	Anne Wolanski
EM Cup	Dave Gill
EM Cup	Chris Gill
EM Cup	Jules Furrer
EM Cup	Betty Church
Altar Server	Nolan Sirgany
Altar Server	Abraham Watkins
Altar Server	Alexander Watkins

Question of the Week

Question for Children: God wants your faith to result in good living. What steps can you take during Lent to make sure that happens?

Question for Youth: What needs changing in your life right now? How will you invite God into that change?

Question for Adults: What steps are you taking this Lent to make sure that your faith bears fruit in good works?

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