



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### *Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- Saturday, November 11, 2017  
 4:00 PM For All Veterans living and deceased
- Sunday, November 12, 2017  
 8:30 AM James & Loretta Nannery  
 11:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Adrien Harrison

Daily Mass this week will be held on  
 Monday through Thursday at 8:00 AM

- Monday, November 13, 2017  
 8:00 AM
- Tuesday, November 14, 2017  
 8:00 AM James & Gertrude Butler
- Wednesday, November 15, 2017  
 8:00 AM
- Thursday, November 16, 2017  
 8:00 AM Adelard & Cecile Corriveau
- Friday, November 17, 2017  
 NO MASS

### *Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- Saturday, November 18, 2017  
 4:00 PM John V. Matos – 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Sunday, November 19, 2017  
 8:30 AM Margery & William Murphy  
 People of the Parish  
 11:00 AM Samuel & Mary Santoro

**For the Month of November the Altar  
 Breads, Altar Wine, Mass Missalettes and  
 Music Missals are in memory of  
 Mr. & Mrs. Lionel Gagnon &  
 John Pacheco, Jr.**

#### **SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in  
 memory of *Edward F. Costa.*

#### **SACRED HEART CANDLE**

The Sacred Heart Candle burns this week  
*For All Veterans Living & Deceased.*

### ANNUAL COLLECTION

Our Annual Collection Drive is coming to a close. If you would like to donate to our church renovation fund, please do so by the end of the month.. You may drop your Annual Collection donation envelope in the collection basket. **Checks should be made payable to St. Thomas More Church.** To date, we have received **\$25,815.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## *Today's Hymns*

Entrance: #37 Come, Ye Thankful People Come  
 Preparation: #460 Eye Has Not Seen  
 Communion: #364 I Am the Bread of Life  
 Meditation #677 The Lord is My Light  
 Recessional: #625 America the Beautiful

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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| Weekend Collection             | \$ 2,454.22 |
| Renovation Fund                | \$ 1,243.45 |
| Church Organ Donations to date | \$26,055.00 |
| Annual Collection to date      | \$25,815.00 |

The second collection will be for the Renovation fund. **Next weekend will be a Special Collection for the Campaign for Human Development.**

Thank You for your continued support.

### BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

November is the month dedicated to All Souls. The book is available for signing. It is the month we call to mind and honor our deceased loved ones. We remember them at each time of prayer throughout the month and **invite you to write their names** in the **Book of the Names of the Dead.** The **Book will be located in the front of the Church.** There are two columns per page, please write the names of your loved ones in these two columns. **The envelopes with the names of the dead will be tied with purple ribbon and placed on the altar.** This will remind us of how our connection with one another transcends time and space to the place where all are one in memory and hope.



## *In Loving Memory*

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the families and friends of *Arthur C. Pregana* and *Hazel B. Carey* who died last week.

## **FAITH FORMATION**

### **Religious Education 2017-2018**

Classes begin **9:20 AM through 10:30 AM**

#### **NOTICE:**

**THERE WILL BE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>**

#### **FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM**

All children who will be entering First Grade in September **must register for Religious Education Classes to begin in the fall.** This is a two-year program that begins with First Grade and ends with the reception of the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in Second Grade.

#### **CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**

This is a two year program for both Catholic and Public School parishioners. **Students need to register in Grade 9 to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in Grade 10.**

## **GUIDE TO THE SACRAMENTS**

Come and join the **Holy Name Parish** at the School Center for a five part series dedicated to explaining the Sacraments of the Church and how they aid us in our relationship with God. There will be two sessions each week, one on Sundays after the 10:30 Mass and one on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM. The following is the schedule and subjects: **Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> – Walk through the Mass; Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Penance and Anointing of the Sick; Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> – Matrimony & Holy Orders.** All are welcome and refreshments are provided.

## **CANNED GOODS COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDY!**

At the weekend Masses of **November 18 & 19 and Thanksgiving Day, at the 9:00 AM Mass,** we will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable food items. **AS WELL AS ANY LOCAL GROCERY STORE FOOD GIFT CARDS.** **All goods collected will be donated to our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.** There will be baskets on the altar for the collection of these food goods. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

## **ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**

Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 14, 2016 at 6:00PM in the parish center.

## **CHURCH ORGAN DONATION**

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners we are still making strides to reaching our goal of **\$32,000** and to date we have collected **\$26,055.00.** The memorials and contributions will be posted at a later date. Thank you to those who have already donated.

## **ST. THOMAS RETIREE GROUP**

### **A Thanksgiving Celebration**

In **November** there will be a gathering of the members to celebrate Thanksgiving at the **BMC Durfee High School** for a Turkey Dinner on **Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at Noon.**

## **St. Thomas More Church**

### **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvest Breakfast**

The Annual Harvest Breakfast will be on **Sunday, November 26, 2017 from 8:00 AM until 11:00 AM.** Tickets are available for purchase before and after the weekend Masses. **If you would like to donate a prize for the raffle at the breakfast; it can be dropped off at the Rectory or call the Rectory to arrange for a pickup. Raffle gifts needed!**

### **Final Breakfast Planning Meeting Notice**

Anyone willing to help with the set up or with serving at the breakfast is welcomed to attend the **final planning meeting on Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM** in the parish center.

**Volunteers Needed!**

## **St. John of God Annual Turkey Shoot**

The event will be hosted on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at the church center. All proceeds will provide scholarships for high school seniors. Doors open at 5:00 PM and the shoot will begin at 6:00 PM. Over 40 turkeys and fixings will be raffled. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the door. The kitchen will be open at 5:00 PM with a variety of foods being served. Your participation will help support our high school students.

## **BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC**

There will be a Blood Pressure Clinic before and after all the masses next weekend, **November 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.**



## **THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16**

Regarded as personifying God's power, Wisdom is readily and easily found by those who seek her.

### **Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

The Thessalonians, who fear that those who have died will miss Christ's return, are comforted by Paul's assurance that those "who have died in Christ will rise first."

### **Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13**

In the parable of the five sensible bridesmaids and the five foolish bridesmaids, Jesus emphasizes the fact that we must always be ready for the coming of Christ because in his words, "You know not the day or the hour."

## **A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS**

**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

### **Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**November 12, 2017**

**“Go instead to the merchants and buy some oil for yourselves.’ While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the doors were locked. Afterwards the others came and said, ‘Lord, Lord, open the door for us.’ But he said in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”**

How often we hear the expression 'this is a wakeup call.' It might call us to study harder, begin a healthier life style, or even to express gratitude for escaping an accident or tragedy.

The parable of Jesus, who many have read this year, is directed to me today. How ready and prepared am I to accompany the Lord, who is walking with me today. The lamp oil is God's grace. Is it burning in me, at this moment? If the battery is low, where can I have it recharged? God's grace we find in the sacraments.

How often we have been offered the example of a door, as opening the door of our hearts to the Lord, or He Himself knocking at the door wanting to enter. He is the gatekeeper. A door allows entrance to another place.

Don't put off applying the parallel to your own spiritual life. It is my wakeup call.