



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 4:00 PM	November 13 Arthur Faucher
Sunday 9:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00 PM	November 14 Jean Archambeau Thanks to St. Peregrine and St. Blaise Parishioners
Monday 12:10 PM	November 15 AFFNA
Tuesday 12:10 PM	November 16 Nancy Donovan Open Hearts Memorial Guild
Wednesday 12:10 PM	November 17 Michael Manfra
Thursday 12:10 PM	November 18 Carlo Croce
Friday 12:10 PM	November 19 Catherine Howard
Saturday 4:00 PM	November 20 Deceased members of the Moscaritolo Family
Sunday 9:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00 PM	November 21 Mary Cronin Lilliana Ciciotti Parishioners

Parish Support

November 7

Offertory **\$3,141**
Campaign for Human Development **\$824**



Sanctuary Lamp

In memory of Michael Troiano

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

All Souls Envelopes

"Remember those who have gone before us..."

November is the month we remember all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. The Basket of Remembrance next to our Easter Candle will remain ever before us during the month of November. If you would like to remember your loved ones in this way, please pick up an envelope at the back of the church. Please remember our beloved dead as we commend them to the Lord and pray they enjoy the Light of Christ's Resurrection.



"You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." - Lk 21:16-19

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Predicting the end of the world seems to be a particular fascination in our culture. From something as innocent as a parlor game to actions as deadly as a suicide pact, the imagination of when and how the world will end seems to take hold of certain people. The entertainment industry has capitalized on this fascination—and even fear—with offerings such as the 1959 classic *On the Beach*, the 1993 film *The Day After*, and the recent release *2012*. Of course predicting the end of the world isn't limited to Hollywood's attempts to rake in profits. Long ago there were some who believed that the world was going to end with the return of Christ in the year AD 1000, although it seems that these people never really became a movement that later generations imagined them to be. In the nineteenth century, predictions about the end of time were made by several evangelists, some of whom gathered many followers who then abandoned them when the date didn't pan out as foretold.

The Gospel this week is a prime text for certain preachers who would have us believe that the world is soon to end. Recent significant earthquakes (China, Italy, Haiti, Chile) in the past few years are used as concrete examples to legitimize the prediction. The same omens are perceived in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan as well as the long-enduring conflict in the Middle East. It is easy to get caught up in this kind of prognostication.

The fact is that whenever the end of the world will be should have no bearing at all on how we live our lives. As Christians, we should always be ready for the coming of Christ because he can reveal himself at any time. Christ may come to us in the needy poor, in the elderly neighbor, in the child, in a coworker or spouse. We don't need the end of the world to find him.





**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION NEWS**

November 21 is the next meeting for CKC. We will start the session at 10:00 AM promptly as we will be preparing for Advent.

Please respond to the Family Mass Sign-up via Email or pass completed sheets in next week at class.

THE KINDNESS OF A PARISHIONER

Through the kindness of a parishioner a matching gift campaign has been offered. This kind donor will match, dollar for dollar, any parishioner who gives \$500 or more up to \$5,000 to our Grand Annual. As you plan your giving, please keep this in mind. Through all of our kindnesses St. Joseph Parish continues to serve Him and all who come to our church doors.

We are pleased to report a total of \$30,712 in donations to our Grand Annual Appeal to date, 41% of our goal of \$75,000. Pledge cards and envelopes are available in the back of the church. Thank you for your faith, love and generous support! Through your kindness Jesus's work continues.

**PLEASE DON'T BE LATE FOR
A VERY IMPORTANT DATE**

LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

An Important Liturgical Ministry Afternoon will be held next **Sunday, November 21 at 3:00pm.**

All new and present day **Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers** are asked to attend. Changes that may effect all of us are to be looked at and discussed.

Thank you to all who have offered their time and talent to enhance our Liturgies.

**DID YOU MISS GETTING YOUR
"St. Joseph's own Taste and See
Cookbook" LAST WEEKEND?!**

This weekend *Our Taste and See Cookbook* will be available to purchase for \$15.00 after all the Masses. They make a WONDERFUL Christmas gift! Why not stop by the table and pick up a few!



**REFLECTIONS FROM
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

In the time of Isaiah and for many centuries that followed, darkness could be a great problem. So the words "the people in darkness have seen a great light, the Lord of the morning has conquered the night" were of great value beyond measure.

In "Revelation" St. John wrote of an angel and the Holy City Jerusalem as it came down out of heaven. In contrast to darkness the city had no need for sun or moon, for its lamp was the Lamb of God.

May we one day be with the Lamb of God in the holy city of God.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA FESTIVAL

Fri-Dec 3, 11 AM - 2 PM

Sat-Dec 4, 3 PM - 6 PM

Sun-Dec 5, 10 AM - 2 PM

St. Joseph's Christmas Poinsettia Festival is quickly approaching. It will take place Friday, 12/3, through Sunday, 12/5. We still need volunteers! Please let us know if you are interested in contributing in any of the ways listed below.

Raffles Table - If you are able to work at the raffles table for an hour or more any of the three days, please e-mail Judy Lauch at jmlauch@netscape.net or call 617-367-4730.

Food Table - If you are able to work at the food table for an hour or more any of the three days, please e-mail Karen Kim at kannekim@gmail.com or call 617-959-1966.

Baked Goods - If you would like to donate food, please contact Karen Kim to let her know what you will be bringing and which day you will provide it. Please plan to pre-package your baked goods in \$2 portions so they are easy to sell. Please e-mail Karen at kannekim@gmail.com or call 617-959-1966.

Jewelry - We are seeking jewelry donations. If you would like to make a donation, please call Theresa Raso at 617-723-8848.

Christmas Music - It would be a nice touch to have musicians and/or vocalists provide Christmas music. If you would like to offer your talents, please e-mail Jessica Dekermanji at jessica.dekermanji@gmail.com.

Set up (Wednesday, 12/1, at 7 PM), **Clean up** (Sunday, 12/5, at 2 PM) - If you are interested in helping with the set up and/or clean up, please e-mail Jessica Dekermanji at jessica.dekermanji@gmail.com.

Please tell family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers about this year's event. This is an important fundraiser for our parish. *** Your help is greatly appreciated!!

Remember!!! Put your order in for your Poinsettias here at St. Joseph's.