

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This **Wednesday, November 1st**, is the Solemnity of All Saints and a holy day of obligation. We have Mass at **Sacred Heart** at **10:30 a.m.** and at **St. John the Baptist** at **6:00 p.m.** Part of our belief as Catholics concerns the Communion of Saints. In this belief, we express the fact that all the saints in heaven are in communion with us through Jesus Christ, especially at the Mass. Gathered around the heavenly throne, they make intercession for us. All Saints Day honors all the saints of heaven, not just the canonized saints in our liturgical calendar. This is a day where we remember those holy people in our lives who have witnessed Christ's love. Particularly on this special day, we call upon their intercession for us and we pray that we might be found worthy to follow them.

**November** is also a month in the life of the Church, in which we emphasize praying for those who have died. We pray for those who have died with Christ and are on their way to heaven but are still in need of purification. Our prayers ask that God's grace be given to them so they might be open to the Lord's purifying love and so quickly enter into the heavenly kingdom prepared for them. Purgatory, a word that we use to describe God's process of purifying souls who have died, is a loving and generous gift of God. Through this process, a loving and just God purifies our souls so that we might more perfectly experience His love for eternity.

**Have a blessed week!**  
**Fr. Kitsmiller**  
**Associate Administrator**  
**Sacred Heart and St. John the Baptist**

**MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Sun., 10/29	9:30 a.m.	Mary Flynn by Bill and Margie Butz
Tues., 10/31	1:00 p.m.	Adam Carfagna by Antoinette Carfagna
Wed., 11/1	6:00 p.m. SJB	All Saints Day Leo Guglielmi by Celeste & Larry Guglielmi
Wed., 11/1	10:30 a.m. SH	All Saints Day Mary Elizabeth Pishitelli by Joseph, Judy & Phillip Pishitelli
Sun., 11/5	9:30 a.m.	Gaetana Capoccia by Maria Capoccia & Family

<b>Blessed Sacrament &amp; Marian Lights Intentions:</b>	
<b>Blessed Sacrament:</b>	<b>George Sicarus</b> by Chris Soteriades
<b>Marian Lights:</b>	<b>Laura Giammarco Cua</b> by Michael Cua

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Sun., 10/29	4:30 p.m. After Mass	San Giovanni Dance Group Practice (Marrapese Hall) LeDonne Group Meeting (Marrapese Hall)
Mon., 10/30	6:00 p.m.	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group (Classroom)
Tues., 10/31	1:00 p.m.	Padre Pio Prayer Group – Rosary and Intentions – Mass at 1:00 p.m. Chapel

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
Sun., 10/29 9:30 a.m.	Adolfo Gastaldo Ed Pagnanelli	Bob Contino, Claudio Pasion, Margaret Panico-Harn, Judy Pishitelli, & Marge Contino
	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
Sun., 11/05 9:30 a.m.	Bob Contino Landa Brunetto	Marge Contino, Pat Rossetti, Pete Tamburro, Leslie Pasion & Andrea Myers

*Please remember in your prayers those who are sick or suffering, especially those who are in Hospitals, Nursing Facilities or Homebound suffering.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR KNOWN ILL AND ELDERLY IN YOUR PRAYERS\*\***

**MOTHER ANGELINE McCrory:** Marie Tarantelli  
**FRIENDSHIP VILLAGE –** Joe Agriesti

**\*\*If you know of any additions or corrections, please call the parish office. Due to privacy laws, we depend on your input.**

**The Rosary before Mass on Sunday:** We begin the Rosary around **9:00-9:05 a.m.**, and it takes about 15-20 minutes to pray the Rosary. If you would like information on how to lead the Rosary, please contact the Men's Faith Sharing group. Leaders for **October and November** are:

<b>October 29</b>	<b>Leslie Malek-Pasion</b>
<b>November 5</b>	<b>Gary Bosco</b>
<b>November 12</b>	<b>Robert Contino, OFS</b>

**2017 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings**

**October 29 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

**October 30 – Weekday**  
 Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17

**October 31 – Weekday**  
 Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21

**November 1 – All Saints**  
 Rev 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

**November 2 – The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**  
 Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9

**November 3 – Weekday**  
**Saint Martin de Porres, Religious**  
 Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6

**November 4 – Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop**  
 Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11

**November 5 – Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

**\* Pray for our Priests and seminarians**

**The Byron Saunders Foundation:** What's Thanksgiving dinner without mashed potatoes?? St. John the Baptist helps the **Byron Saunders Foundation**, headed by our own parishioner, **Brian Wollenberg**, obtain dollars to purchase **5 lb. bags** of fresh potatoes for the families in need. We request a minimum of **\$2.00** per person. The more money we receive, the more families receive fresh potatoes for Thanksgiving dinner. Please give after Mass, through **November 19th**. Last year, we provided approximately **700** families with potatoes and our goal this year is **1,500** families.

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S**

October 22, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used – 52

In Envelopes: \$2,499.00 Loose Money \$222.00

Regular Collection	\$ 2,721.00
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (163.26)
	\$ 2,557.74
Votives	\$ 36.00
St. Anthony's Bread – JOIN	\$ 20.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 85.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 50.00
50/50 Drawing	\$ 10.00
	\$ 201.00

**??\$?HOW IS ST. JOHN'S DOING? \$???**


**Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/17-6/30/18)**

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 2,721.00	(\$ 164.00)	-6%
FYTD:	\$49,045.00	\$43,161.00	(\$5,884.00)	-12%

**Saint Vincent Family Center** is looking for individuals to take part in its annual **Adopt a Family** program to help families in Ohio's most impoverished neighborhoods. So many of these families are unable to provide their little ones with gifts and memories of Christmas. As an outreach project for SJB members, we are asking parishioners for their help in this worthy cause. The Center will provide us with two families and a list of what the children need. **Maria Lucchin, Jackie Persichetti** and **Rose Ann Graf** will have a notebook for you to sign up to participate and give you more details after Mass on Sunday. Please stop at our table to learn more of the specific needs of these children. We only have four weeks to complete this project to alleviate some of the heartbreak of these families and to assist in the wonderful work that the St. Vincent Center provides.

**Cemetery Sunday:** On **November 5, 2017**, area Catholic Cemeteries invite you to prayer services for your deceased. These services are offered as a complement to the Feast of All Saints Day and All Souls Day. Services will be held at St. Joseph Cemetery (Our Mother of Mercy Chapel), Mt. Calvary Cemetery (Priest Circle), Holy Cross Cemetery (Chapel Mausoleum), and Resurrection Cemetery (Chapel Mausoleum). All services are scheduled for **2:00 p.m.**

**St. Matthew Hometown Bazaar:** St. Matthew School Home and School Association's annual Hometown Bazaar will be **Saturday, November 11, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** at St. Matthew School, 795 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna. The Bazaar features handcrafted holiday and traditional decorations, woodcrafts, ceramics, fabric items, prints, floral arrangements, jewelry, wreaths, and more from over 150 vendors!! Admission is **\$3.00** (sorry no strollers). Additional parking with a free shuttle to the Bazaar is available at Gahanna Middle School South, 349 Shady Spring Drive, Gahanna.



**Office Hours:**  
The **Parish Office** hours are **Monday** through **Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**SJB Collection Counters for Monday, October 30, 2017**

Mary Spellacy, Maria Lucchin, & Tom Elliott

**SJB Collection Counters for Monday, November 6, 2017**

Carl Tisone, Nick Perschetti & Gus Gastaldo

**Reconciliation:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation offers a wonderful opportunity to experience God's mercy on a very personal level. The Sacrament of Penance is a beautiful sacrament through which we are reconciled to God, ourselves and our neighbors. Remember the words of St. Paul, "God is rich in mercy; because of His great love for us, He brought us to life with Christ when we were dead in sin." (Eph 2:4). Father is available for Confession before Mass.

**Blessed Mother Sodality:** If you are interested in joining the Blessed Mother Sodality, please contact **Patty Clifford** at **614-457-4279**. **Thank you!**

**AROUND US**

**All Saints Day: November 1:** Today, the Church celebrates all the saints: canonized or beatified, and the multitude of those who are in heaven enjoying the beatific vision that are only known to God. During the early centuries, the Saints venerated by the Church, were all martyrs. Later on, the Popes set November 1 as the day for commemorating all the Saints. The feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some whom we have known. All lived on earth lives like our own. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, they were faithful to Christ's teaching and they have gone before us to the heavenly home whence they call on us to follow them.

**Liturgical Calendar:** The month of **November** is dedicated to the **Souls in Purgatory**, whose feast is celebrated on **November 2**. The entire month of November falls during the liturgical season known as **Ordinary Time** and is represented by the liturgical color green.

**Do not bury your talents, the gifts that God has given you!  
Do not be afraid to dream of great things!**  
~ Pope Francis

**Holy Father's Intention for the Month of November 2017**

You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for the following intention:

***That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.***



"You shall love the Lord, your God,  
with all your heart,  
with all your soul,  
and with all your mind.

This is the greatest and the first commandment.

The second is like it:

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

**Matthew 22:37-40**

**Prayer: An act of Love**

*O my God,  
I love You above all things,  
with my whole heart and soul,  
because You are all-good and worthy of all love.  
I love my neighbor as myself for the love of You.  
I forgive all who have injured me,  
and I ask pardon of all whom I have injured.*

**Amen**