# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 26, 2017

# Mass Intentions



## Scheduled Masses for the week of Nov. 26, 2017

- Sat. 5:00pm Mr. & Mrs. A. Cutaio (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)
  Sun. 7:30am Brendan O'Toole 9:00am Dominic DiLullo 10:30am Douglas Couzens (22<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.) 12:00pm Kathleen & Charles Manning 5:00pm Dominic Cervoni
- Mon. 8:00am Sylvia Acri 9:00am William Sheppard Tues. 8:00am Terese Mulligan 9:00am Theresa Mathew (5<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) Wed. 8:00am Augie J. Paese
- 9:00am Marie San Marco
- Thurs 8:00am Marion Healy 9:00am Jeanie Amodio (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
- Fri. 8:00am Louis DeCanio 9:00am Ian Lewis
- Sat. 9:00am Matthew DeFilippis

## Scheduled Masses for Sunday, December 3, 2017

- Sat. 5:00pm Peter Looser
- Sun. 7:30am Anne Paese (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
  9:00am Paul Cordola
  10:30am Drs. Francis & Thomas V. Kaicher
  12:00pm Gertrude Craven (30<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)
  5:00pm James Mulvey

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week In loving memory of

Ralph Branca.

The Men's Club will hold their annual food drive for the Ecumenical Food Pantry at Masses this weekend, November 25 & 26. Non-perishable food items and/or monetary donations are welcome. (Please make checks payable to the Ecumenical Food Pantry.) There has always been some confusion as to whether the Catholic Church allows cremation. Following are the specific excerpts of the Official Pontifical statement from Pope Francis. I hope this helps.

> God Bless, Fr. Quealy

*Excerpts from the Pontifical Instruction on Cremation* The Church continues to prefer the practice of burying the bodies of the deceased, because this shows a greater esteem towards the deceased. Nevertheless, cremation is not prohibited, "if it was chosen for reasons contrary to Christian doctrine." When for legitimate motives, cremation of the body has been chose, the ashes of the faithful must be laid to rest in a sacred place, that is, in a cemetery, or in certain cases, in a church or an area which has been set aside for this purpose and so dedicated by the competent ecclesial authority.

In order that every appearance of pantheism, naturalism or nihilism be avoided, it is not permitted to scatter the ashes of the faithful departed in the air, on land, at sea or in some other way, nor may they be preserved in mementos, pieces of jewelry or other objects. These courses of action cannot be legitimized by an appeal to the sanitary, social or economic motives that may have occasioned the choice of cremation.

**Our Lady's Guild will hold a Christmas Holiday Shopping Night on Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-9pm in the school cafeteria**. This year's vendors will be offering hand-painted glass, original artwork, décor, jewelry, cupcakes and giftware. Direct sales companies such as Pampered Chef, Thirty One Gifts, LulaRoe and others will be represented. Raffles, 50/50 and refreshments including amazing food from local & generous eateries will also be available.

Christmas Wreath Sale – Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3rd The Boy Scouts from Troop 73 in White Plains will be selling Christmas wreaths after the 5pm Mass next Saturday, December 2 and after all Masses on Sunday, December 3. The wreaths are the same large size as last year and come decorated at a price of \$18. A limited supply of cemetery boxes will also be available at a cost of \$24.

#### Pray for the Sick and Deceased

Lord our God, you give us strength and support in our frailty; turn with kindness toward:

Pamela Ann Stackpole, Ann Grazioli, Paul Dunning, Joy Stingone, Larry Corum, Yolanda Perez, Jacqueline Gallagher, Sophia Napoli, James Cody, Susan Fugarino, Roselle Williams, Lorraine Collins, Robert Robine, Michelle Delamonico, Jane Cotone, Lt. Col. Beau Riely, Robert M. Woods, Patricia Gallagher, Dr. Fred Kriegel, Nick Bilangino, Vincent Soccodato, Damon Amadio, Daren Letterman, Anna Coppola, Americo Coppola, Frankie Delosso, Joseph Goldman, Maria R. Leite, Isabella Borga, Elaine Calcagni, Gianna Colao, Frances Cappello, Marie Robine, Dean Otto, Richard A. Grace, Mary Barile, Alex Jones, Betsy Myers, Ann Baker, Frank Tarone, Tony Cestone, Nancy DeCrescenzo, Rachel Coffey, Diane Kitson, Jon Podell, Anna Arias, Stephen Losi, Jane Peyton, Don Short and Norbeth York.

We pray for all who have died, may they rest in peace.

#### Pray for our Military

Please fill out this form for anyone in your family presently serving in the armed forces and return it to the rectory.

Name/Rank

Lord, protect: Spec. Shayne Cipolla, Lt. Nicholas Selk, USN, SSG Anthony DiStefano, Lt. Col. James F. Corrigan, Jr., Lt. Col. Isaac Rademacher, Lt. Scott Childers, Col. James Frawley, LTC. Jim Riely, LTC. Beau Riely, PFC Zachery Basso,USMC, Col. Joseph A. Tirone, Cpt. Matt Woods, Pvt. Barry Marquez, Sgt. Travis Cipolla, Lt. Patrick Casey, Brian D. Martinez, USMC, Cpt. Daniel Wallet, Petty Officer 2<sup>nd</sup> Class David Aponte, Lt. Col. C. Brian Valentino,Corporal Joseph P. DeFreitas, Pvt. Woody Stogel, Cpl. Christian Magnacca, Major David J. Zallo, Capt. Frank A. Rhodes,USN, AR Robert M. Martinez, Specialist Mark R. Martino, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Michael Racicot, USMC, SSG Derrick Castleberry, Pvt. Victoria Janaskie, Lt. Kevin J. Barry, Jr. & Lt. Austin M. Rivera, ANG

Please notify the rectory when any of the above names should be removed from this list.

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It's not too late to make a "FUNDS" contribution toward shipping **Boodle Brigade Soldier packages**. The shipping costs rose this year to \$18.85 per flat rate box and it is the only way to get the items donated during the "Boodle Brigade" collection to the soldiers. Send your check payable to Diane Martino/Boodle Brigade (or cash) to Diane Martino, 19 Colonial Rd, White Plains, NY 10605. Questions: email Diane at mskibums5@aol.com

## This Week's Events:

- ▲ Monday, 11/27: Our Lady's Guild Shopping Night in the school from 6pm-9pm
- ▲ Wednesday, 11/29: -Centering Praver med

-Centering Prayer meets in the cry room after the 9am Mass

-Baptismal Preparation meeting in the community room at 7:30pm – call the rectory office to register

▲ Thursday, 11/30:

-Religious Education Confirmation Retreat - meet at the church at 8am for Mass

- -Knitters meet in the community room at 9:30am Hat count: 6,693
- -Centering Prayer meets in the cry room at 3pm
- -Children's choir meets in the community room at 4pm
- -Adult choir meets at 7pm in the community room

#### ▲ First Friday, 12/1:

-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 9am Mass and concludes with Benediction at 11am. -O.L.S. Volunteer Day at the Open Arms Shelter - see the sign-up sheet on the church bulletin board

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▲ First Saturday, 12/2: The rosary is recited in the church at 8:40am prior to the 9am Mass.

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the collection amounts for Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> will be published in the Bulletin for Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Liturgical Assignments for December 2/3

Sat. 5:00pm L: P. Limpert
EM: M. & H. Punzalan
Sun. 7:30am L: J. McHale
EM: M. Martin, Volunteer
9:00am L: R. Mora
EM: R. Ritacco, M. Snyder
10:30am L: L. Marrero
EM: N. & H Strada, M. Devine
12:00pm L: G. Hosey
EM: J. Ryan, R. Stackpole
5:00pm L: A. Falcetta
EM: R. Connolly, A. Jordan-Duffy

## Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46 Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11 Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19 Thursday: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22 First Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33 First Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36 You have heard the phrases "Keep Christ in Christmas" and "Jesus is the reason for the season" – now let's show it off! What items do you use in your home décor to remind yourself to keep Christ as the center of the Christmas season? Do you have a special Nativity scene or Advent wreath or special ornaments with a story? Did your children create a nativity out of their toys? The Religious Ed program would like to include them in their Advent Showcase on December 3<sup>rd</sup> in the OLS School gym. If you are interested in having your item(s) featured or would like more information, please contact Jen at olsreled@optonline.net

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Once again **O.L.S.' Our Lady's Guild** will be helping Sr. Alice Conrad, RDC, play SANTA to children of struggling families in our area. These children live in homes where the parents live paycheck to paycheck and cannot afford many of the luxuries we take for granted. Sr. Alice knows each of the families and has provided a wish list of items. Your contributions will really help to make their Christmas special. Please find it in your heart to help Sr. Alice spread Christmas joy through Our SHEPHERD'S FLOCK, an organization which provides assistance to these very proud people who do not receive public assistance. Also needed are gift cards which work well for teenagers and adults. The cards should be at least \$25.00, preferably to Target, Wal-Mart, CVS, Stop&Shop and ShopRite. Items must be delivered to the rectory office no later than Thursday, Dec. 14. If you would like to be assigned a child from the wish list, contact Maryann Martin via phone 914-310-5164 or email: mcmartin2@cbs.com

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**Our Lady's Guild would like to thank parishioners** for helping them with their gift card collection for "**Operation Blessing's Hurricane Relief**" in Texas and Florida. These donations will help hurricane survivors during their rebuilding phase purchase and replace lost items.

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Archbishop Stepinac High School Theatre presents the Disney hit, *NEWSIES*. Show dates are December 1, 2, 8 and 9 at 7:30pm and matinees on December 9 and 10 at 2pm. Tickets are \$22 for adults and \$18 for children under 12 and senior citizens. For ticket reservations please call 914-946-4800 exit 200 for more information email: theatre@stepinac.org. Follow them on Facebook: Stepinac Drama Club Page or Twitter: Stepinac Drama

**The 2018 O.L.S. Mass Book is now open.** Intentions for announced Masses are taken Monday through Friday from 8:30am until 4:30pm in the rectory office. Parishioners are invited to arrange up to 3 Sunday Masses and 6 weekday Masses at a cost of \$15 per Mass.

#### A PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY *by Rev. William J. Reilly* Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 26, 2017

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord when..."

It is easy to recall this teaching, the well known corporal works of mercy. It is easy to place a name and face on friends or agencies who carry out their tremendous works of service. It is easy to offer support through donations to enable others to carry out their mission.

As we reflect upon these signs of compassion and concern, and admire the dedication of those who serve the needs of others, why not ask the question that causes people to be in such vulnerable conditions. A famous Brazilian bishop once declared, 'When I take care of the poor, people praise me. When I ask why they are poor, I am called a communist.' Dom Helder Camara wants us to ask the question which leads me to help alleviate the suffering of others. It may be my active involvement in direct service or maybe indirect service through legislative action, helping understand the issues involved or both.

On this great feast of Christ the King take time to answer the question posed to Jesus and myself 'When...?'

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"We cannot change the world alone, but together we can spread the joy of the Gospel by staying close to those most in need." ~ Pope Francis

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The TreasureHouse Chorale and Chamber Orchestra and Soloists will perform their 28<sup>th</sup> Annual **Advent-Concert Christmas "From the Realms of Glory"** featuring Repertory by master composers through the centuries, including Palestrina, Handel, Gounod, Thomason, Warlock and Wood at 2 performances this season: **Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:30pm at Saint James Church**, 14 Gleneida Ave., Carmel NY 10512 and on **Sunday**, **Dec. 10 at 7:30pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church**, 1377 East Main St., Shrub Oak, NY 10588. Tickets/information for both concerts, please email: treasurehousemusic@gmail.com. All tickets (\$10-\$20) are available at the doors at the time of the concert.