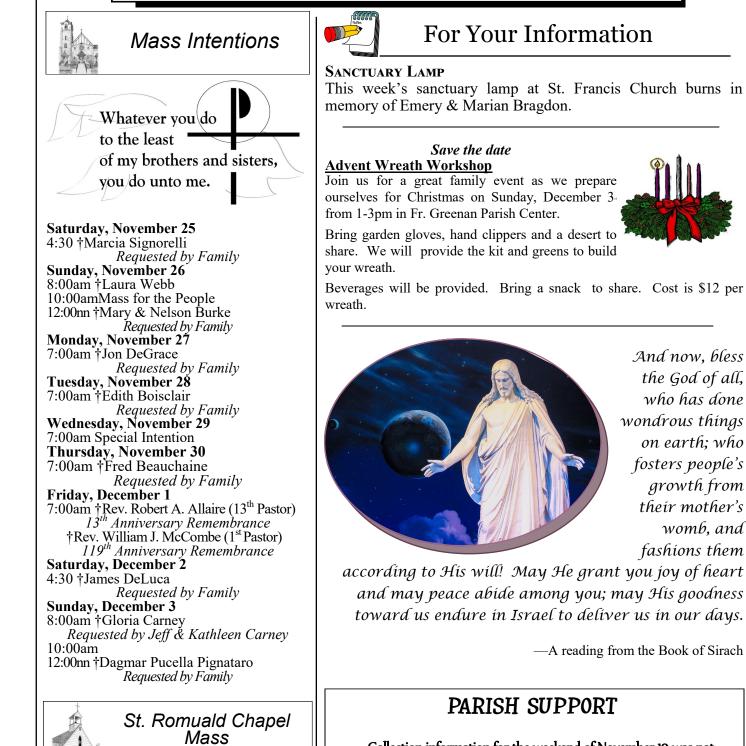
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



Collection information for the weekend of November 19 was not available due to early transmittal. That will be reported in next week's bulletin.

And now, bless

the God of all,

who has done

on earth: who

growth from

their mother's womb, and fashions them

fosters people's

There is no second collection this weekend. The second collection next weekend if the monthly collection.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

10:00am †Robert McGale Requested by wife Lorraine & children Sunday, December 3 10:00am †Owen & Maureen Rielly *Requested by Family* 

Sunday, November 26

Intentions

# NOVEMBER 26, 2017

# From the Pastor,

Christ the King is a king of peace. Here's a thought from the great American convert, Dorothy Day, whose cause for sainthood is going forward in Rome.

There is a character in "The Plague", the novel by Albert Camus, who says that he is tired of hearing about men dying for an idea. He would like to hear about a man dying for love for a change. He goes on to say that men have forgotten how to love, that all they seem to be thinking of these days is learning how to kill. Man, he says, seems to have lost the capacity for love.

What is God but Love? What is a religion without love? We read of the saints dying for love and we wonder what it means. There was a silly verse I used to hear long ago, "Men have died and worms have eaten them, but not for love." And nowadays in this time of war and preparations for war, we would tend to agree. But still there are the saints. Yes, they have died for love of God. But Camus' character would say, "I mean for love of man." Our Lord did that, but most people no longer believe in him. So one can talk and write of Love. People want to believe in that even when they are all but convinced that it is an illusion. (It would be better still to love, rather than to write about it. It would be more convincing.)

-Servant of God Dorothy Day

Servant of God Dorothy Day († 1980) was co-founder of the Catholic Worker movement.

Fr. Bodah



FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY <u>Friday, December 8</u> (Holy Day of Obligation)

Mass times at St. Francis Church: 7:00am and Noon

<u>Mass time at St. Romuald Chapel:</u> 6:30pm



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

**Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>** NO SUNDAY CLASSES No Children's Liturgy of the Word today

Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> 4:15--5:15 Grades 3-6 (FGC) 7:00-8:15 Grades 7 & 8 (FGC)

Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

First Reconciliation Retreat is this Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9-12NN. *All students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.* 

Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> First Reconciliation at 6pm in the church.

### CALLING ALL HIGH School Teens

We will be preparing Christmas cookies at our next high school



youth night on **Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** in Fr. Greenan Center. The cookies will be distributed to families in our parish and local community.

### November High School Youth Night

On Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> we will be Fr. attending Leo Patalinghug's presentation on Spiritual Combat at Bishop McVinney Auditorium. All high school students are invited to attend (9<sup>th</sup> graders are required to attend) this powerful presentation. Fr. Leo is a Catholic priest and a nationally known speaker. The cost for the evening is \$15 (contact the Religious Education Office if you are interested in attending). The bus will leave promptly at 5:45pm from the church parking lot. Chaperones are welcomed!

#### This Week

Monday, November 27 7:30am Adoration (SF) 7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting (MCCR) **Tuesday, November 28** 7:00pm Bible Study (↓FGC) Thursday, November 30 9:00-10:30am Staff Meeting (Office closed during this time) 5:45pm departure time for teens going to McVinney Auditorium 7:00pm RCIA (MCCR-at rectory) 7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (\FGC-Foyer)

THE GIVING TREE Next Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> is the first Sunday of Advent and our Giving trees will be placed in St. Francis and St. Romuald that weekend. If you feel that you can share the gift of giving this Advent/Christmas season. take a tag from the tree and



bring back your gift **unwrapped** and place it under the tree, no later than Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> Gifts will be distributed on Monday, December 18th and Tuesday, December 19th. Thank you.

Monsignor Clarke School will host its annual Christmas Festival December 3<sup>rd</sup> From 9-3PM, local vendors and artisans will be selling amazing items at the school just in time for Christmas! Gift Basket Sale, Book Fair, Hourly Raffles and Themed Baskets. In addition, lunch, snacks and drinks are available as well as delicious baked goods at the Bake Sale Fundraiser. Kids play area with crafts and games and a chance to visit with Santa! **Calling all Bakers! Help Needed for the Festival!** 

Monsignor Clarke School is looking for volunteers who want donate a baked item for the bake sale. Baked goods should be individually wrapped and ready for sale and can be dropped off at the School between 10-2pm on December  $2^{\hat{n}d}$ . Questions on the Bake Sale? Contact Kathy at 401-207-7233, or ktorgovec@gmail.com

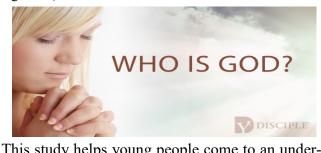
#### THE SOUNDS OF THE SEASON

On Sunday, December 10<sup>a</sup> at 3PM, the Gregorian Concert Choir and Festival Orchestra will present a concert entitled, 'The Sounds of the Season' in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Providence. The concert will feature the music of Advent and Christmas to benefit Bishop Tobin's "Keep the Heat On' Campaign. Proceeds raised from the concert provide heating assistance for struggling individuals and families who have exhausted all other public and private aid. Tickets for the concert are \$10 per person and may be purchased by calling the Cathedral office at (401) 331-2434. (Tickets will also be available at the door on the day of the concert).

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- Visit formed.org with a web browser
- Click on Register (lower right of page)
- Enter Parish Access Code: 876N29

Enter your email and create a password (you need this to login later)



This study helps young people come to an understanding of their personal identity and lets them know that identity comes from God! This study unpacks the mystery of God, from examining the nuts and bolts of how we can know he is real, to understanding the ways he has revealed himself throughout history.

#### **FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS**

Christmas is quickly approaching so how about joining us as we visit The LaSalette Shrine in Attleboro Mass in order to enjoy the quietness and holiness of the season. On Thursday, December 14, 2017, we will be boarding a bus to take us to see this beautiful Shrine and light show. The bus will leave promptly from the church parking lot at 4:30 pm and return at 8:30 pm. The cost will be \$10 per person and it is based on a first come first serve basis as the bus holds only 49 people. If interested in attending, please clip and fill out the form below completely. You may return the form by mail, bring it to the rectory or simply drop it the collection basket including your payment.

Thank you and if you have any questions please contact Kerry Villanis at (401) 743-9616 or kav3@cox.net.

Clip & Fill Out Form & Return With Payment
Name:
Number of People Attending:
Payment Amount (\$10 per person):
Contact Phone Number:
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