

32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

NOVEMBER 7, 2021



MASS INTENTIONS

- 5 p.m.: Maurice Torruella, Gloria Pabon,
Kevin Stanton and Clare Costello
- 10 a.m.: Rebecca Seda, Joe Britto, Jack Shapiro
and Michael Faso

SNACK-AND-VOTE THIS WEEKEND

There are two reasons to stop off in Deacon John Hall before leaving Mass this weekend. First, **cast your vote** for the five Parish Council seats. Here are the nine candidates:

Martin Stinson
Tom Fobert
Hector Hernandez
Julie Laurenzi
Beth Schick
Michael McGovern
JoAnn Kroner
And incumbents:
Pam Vogt
Kevin Green

For those who cannot vote in person, please contact Christine Forbes, the Parish Council chairperson, via email at (cforbes1208@gmail.com) for the link to vote online.

And secondly, support our **Prayer Blanket Ministry** by purchasing a sweet treat to eat at its fund-raising Bake Sale. Proceeds go toward blanket supplies.

TREASURER'S REPORT

October 24-31: Totaled \$ 4,747.77
Envelopes: \$ 1,742.00 – Online: \$ 3,005.77
THANK YOU!

VIRTUAL GIVING TREE RETURNS

The “angels” are flying in right now; 50 from St. Simon Stock and 25 from the Orange County Department of Social Services. So beginning this **Friday, November 12**, you’ll be able to choose yours. As was done last year, rather than taking a tag off the **Giving Tree**, all you need do is reach out to Therese Quinn (313-0256; eat@frontiernet.net) or Mary McCabe (914-420-0842; mmmk94@frontiernet.net). They will provide all the necessary information to enable you to brighten a child’s Christmas.



Wrapped gifts identified with the angel number must be returned no later than **December 12**. There will be a cart in the vestibule to Deacon John Hall, so you don’t even have to come inside.

CARMELITE APPEAL

The theme of this year’s Carmelite Appeal is “Sharing God’s Graces Through Service and Prayer.” **Service** among people in need of physical and spiritual support and **prayer** for God’s loving guidance is the essence of the Carmelite Ministry, and only through both can it succeed.

However, it is your generosity that is at the heart of our mission, enabling it to continue and grow.

Although there will not be a guest speaker this year, the Appeal weekend here is **November 20-21**. Your support buoys Carmelite friars in their work locally and around the world, which is bookended with assisting in the education and formation of new priests as well as with the care of those who are elderly and in poor health. Thank you for your kindness.

Fr. Sean

Veterans ★ Day ★

Thank you for your courage,
dedication, and hard work.
And thanks to the military
families for their support,
resilience, and sacrifice.



WREATHS WITH HEART

It's not too early to start thinking about decking the halls – or your doors – for Christmas. Orders for **festively-decorated wreaths** will be taken the weekends of **November 13-14** and **November 20-21**. They'll be here to pick up and then hang up the weekend after Thanksgiving, **November 27-28**.

The cost is still \$24 each. Grave pillows, \$30, and grave blankets, \$45, are also available. The proceeds are donated to the American Heart Association.

SHARE THE WARMTH

Time is running out to participate in the **Wallkill East Rotary's annual Coat Collection Drive**. New and/or gently used, *clean* jackets and coats must be dropped off in Deacon John Hall by next weekend, **November 15**. Let's help them top last year's total of almost 600 coats distributed to those in need.

CALL TO SOCIAL JUSTICE



A multifaith prayer service marked opening day (October 31) of the two-week COP26 in Glasgow. Along with prayers, the faith community arrived to put pressure on world leaders for strong response to human-driven climate change.

"Humanity faces several stark but clear choices.

We either choose to achieve rapid and large-scale reductions of emissions to keep the goal of limiting global warming to 1.5 [Celsius] — or we accept that humanity faces a bleak future on this planet."

- Patricia Espinosa, executive secretary
United Nations Framework Convention on Climate

To read the full story, visit:

https://www.ncronline.org/news/earthbeat/faith-community-arrives-glasgow-pray-press-world-leaders-strong-action-cop-26?utm_source=PANTHEON_STRIPPED&utm_campaign=PANTHEON_STRIPPED&utm_medium=PANTHEON_STRIPPED&utm_term=PANTHEON_STRIPPED

PASS THE PARAPROSDOKIAN

Here's this week's paraprozdokian – a figure of speech with an unexpected twist – author unknown.

"I am supposed to respect my elders, but now it's getting harder and harder for me to find one."



YM'S FAMILY HARVEST FESTIVAL

Witches and werewolves, ghosts and goblins – and even a black cat – haunted St. Paul's parking lot on Halloween. Eight trunks filled with treats were a main draw, and some of the approximately 50 revelers were like specters – appearing quickly to grab their candy and then vanishing into the night.

But many remained under the spell of the Harvest Festival. Thanks to haybales donated by Heritage Feed & Supply, there was a photo "booth" – wonder if the vampire's image was captured? And because of an anonymous gift card donation, there was a raffle, too.

Halloween cartoons played on an outdoor screen, and there were lots of screams during the game of Snake Tag (the name alone is creepy!) where the first person tries to tag the last as all the hand-holding participants seemed to slither along the asphalt. The high-school-age Youth Ministry members gravitated toward the younger ones, who were only too happy to interact with these cool ghouls. A thunderstorm was even conjured up: One group shuffled their feet to replicate wind; another stomped to sound like thunder; snapping fingers were the rain, and like magic, cell-phone flashlights were transformed into lightning bolts.



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