

# Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 16, 2014

## Please pray for those in special need of prayer.

Ernie Nichol, Thomas Waters, Travis, Carol O'Dowd, Amber Hoyt Phraner, Valerie, Angel, Russell Hoffman, Bailey, Melissa, Carmen, Raymond Bivens, Jr., Helen Pratti, Agnes Henry, Rose Gunderson, Ronnie Hunter, and Robert Bivens.

## Mass Change on the 25<sup>th</sup>

There will be no morning Masses on Tuesday, November 25.

## Thanksgiving Masses

8 am at St. Peter

9:30 am at St. John

## "Mass & a Meal" Family Celebration\*

All religious education students and their families are invited to the "Mass & a Meal" family celebration on Sunday, November 16, beginning at 4 pm with Mass at St. John. Dinner is at 5 pm followed by a craft project at 6 pm. **Please bring a dish to pass!** \* In lieu of am classes.

## Penny Social

Despite the less than favorable weather conditions on Friday, the Penny Social was a huge success:

\$922 was taken in overall--\$304 on used items; \$89 on the two food baskets; \$13 on snacks; and a whopping \$475 on our specials table (new items, themed baskets, gift cards).

Our thanks to everyone who donated, helped set up and attended. A special thanks to those who where there in the morning and helped carry the boxes from the center to the hall. We could not have done it without any of you!

*Prayer is a foretaste of heaven.*

Saint John Vianney

## ✦ OFFERINGS ✦

St. John: \$1,603

Holy Family: 249

St. Peter: 1,244

## 'Harvest of Giving'

Fall is in the air, and Catholic Charities' annual *Harvest of Giving* is underway and needs you! As the weather turns colder, more families will come to Catholic Charities for help with food, shelter, heating assistance, .... Your gift stays in the Diocese and will make a powerful difference. There is much to be thankful for during this season, and your gift matters to those in need. Help by calling 453.6650 or visiting [www.ccrda.org](http://www.ccrda.org) to donate.

## Thanksgiving Dinner Food Drop-Off

If you are donating food for the Thanksgiving dinner, items may be dropped at the Delhi Fire Hall on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 4 pm **or** Thanksgiving morning before 11 am. Any questions, please call May Falknor at 746.6394.

## St. Peter's Adoration Cancellation

Adoration on Tuesday, November 25, will be cancelled with Thanksgiving on Thursday. It will resume on Tuesday, December 2.

## **Retreat**

*Dominican Retreat Conference Center* 518.393.4169

**November 21-23:** Heart & Soul Quest Weekend: *Blessed are the Forgiving, for They are Free* Guest Director:

Sister Carol Davis, OP, MA, CASAC  
It is said the disciple John leaned against Jesus at the Last Supper and that he therefore heard the heartbeat of God. During this retreat, we will listen for the heartbeat of God as we are led to greater freedom through letting go, through the grace of forgiveness so we can more and more become our true selves. ~ \$195

## Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine

Through the years, many of us have visited or attended conferences at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine. The Shrine is now in need of several vital updates:

- replacing and repairing the three tier roof
- replacing 200 windows in the Coliseum
- repairing the two ton cross on the Coliseum
- repairing and replacing falling bricks
- interior painting due to water damage

The largest fund raising drive in the Shrine's history began several months ago with almost \$700,000 already raised from across the nation (all fund raising expenses were donated so 100% of the donations went directly to the Building Fund). The need is for a total of one million dollars.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving and Christmas season, would you consider helping to save this precious Shrine. Forms are available in the literature racks.

## Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

As the man in the Gospel entrusted his servants with his money, so God has 'entrusted' our family to us. Like to good servants, we are expected, not to play it safe, but to selflessly and totally invest ourselves in each other.

## Marriage Moments by Susan Vogt

When one finds a worthy wife,  
her value is far beyond pearls.

Proverbs 31:10

Describe the value of your wife in poetic terms. Go ahead, try it! If you are the wife, try filling in the blank: When one finds a worthy husband, his value is far beyond \_\_\_\_\_ .

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November 3, 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has come to the aid of communities nationwide for over 40 years in an effort to eradicate poverty. During World Youth Day, July 25, 2013, Pope Francis told us to "never tire of working for a more just world, marked by greater solidarity." CCHD puts these words into action by funding housing, education, and the development of job opportunities.

Through CCHD the Catholic Church is working to continue the Church's tradition of defending human dignity and moving beyond providing for basic needs. CCHD works to build healthy, sustainable futures for communities.

This Collection is the primary sources of funding for CCHD's anti-poverty grants and education programs.

The Diocese of Albany has always been at the forefront of CCHD in terms of the amount of funds raised. Please remember, 25 percent of the Collection's proceeds stay here in our diocese to fight poverty.

God bless you and your family for your generosity.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

*+Edward B. Scharfenberger*

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Bishop of Albany

## Thanksgiving Community Service

Please join the community in offering up thanksgiving to the Lord on Sunday, November 23, at 7 pm at the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Walton.

## Parenting Pointers by Susan Vogt

As the season changes, so do people: children grow, people die, we drop old habits and learn new ones. Discuss in your family one bad habit each of you would like to get rid of.