

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY
ORDINARY TIME
November 16, 2008



Our Gospel this weekend reminds us all of our baptismal responsibility to share the talents that God has given us. So often I hear from parishioners, friends, family and even members of my own religious community that they do not feel as though they have been given any "Special Talent" to do God's work.

I am here to say that we all have been given at least ONE. My question/challenge is, do we have the courage to claim it and use it to serve God and all of God's people?

So often I see and hear that the same people in the parish are always stepping up to help out — to give of themselves and their talent. Where are the rest of the people? There is always room for new people who are willing to share the talents they have been given. As we get ready to begin a new year in the Church, I invite you to search your heart and respond to where God may be leading you. I look forward to receiving your phone call!!!

Retirement Fund For Religious
SECOND COLLECTION
NEXT WEEK

"Did a sister, brother or religious order priest make a difference in your life? You can make a difference in their lives now."

ADVENT RETREAT AT ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS RETREAT CENTER
December 14th - 10 am—4 pm

The Women's Group of St. Bart's Parish would like to invite everyone in the parish to participate in an Advent day of prayer at St. Paul's entitle, "Preparing Our Hearts to Welcome God's Love".

"The Advent Season sets us on a course to renew our appreciation for God's Love in our midst. God reached across the created universe to do the unthinkable, to become one of us. Prepare your heart by joining us for a day of recollection."

For \$30, the day includes prayer, two conferences, Mass, Sacrament of Reconciliation, lunch and concludes with Evening Prayer.

If you are interested in attending, we would like to carpool from St. Bart's. Please call the rectory and let us know if you are interested and we will register as a group.

Beginning today and for the rest of the week I will be attending to my yearly retreat. I will leave sometime this afternoon and will be at my retreat until Friday at which time I will travel to Cleveland to visit with my family before the holidays begin. I ask you in a special way for your prayers and I assure you of mine. While I am away, if you need anything, please do not hesitate to contact Bess Biamonte our Social Service Minister.

Have a Blessed Week
Sister Dorothy



ASSEMBLY

North Catholic Leadership Team will present an assembly on Monday, November 17th. Students in grades K thru 2nd will learn about emergencies.

SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Our School Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, November 18th at 6 pm in the school library.

SANTA SHOPPE

Santa's elves have been busy preparing for our annual Santa Shoppe. Students will have the opportunity to shop on Wednesday, November 19th and Thursday, November 20th. Schedules will be sent home with the students.



SCIENCE CENTER

Please keep our students in grades 2 thru 6 in your prayers. Students will be traveling to the Science Center on Wednesday, November 19th.

MASS

Please join our school for mass on Thursday, November 20th. Mrs. Pricer and the 8th graders have worked very hard to prepare for this mass.

OPEN HOUSE



We will be showcasing our students and school at an open house on Friday, November 21st from 9am-11am. We encourage parents to tour our school. We are so proud of our school, students and faculty.

**PARISH AND SCHOOL
THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**

WHEN

The month of November

WHERE

Drop off good in the vestibule of the Church or at the rectory.

FOR WHO

Bess Biamonte, our Social Service Minister will make sure the food is distributed to parishioners and others in need.

Annual Giving Tree

With all the warm days of this Autumn it is hard to believe that the Liturgical Year will end soon and a new Liturgical Year will begin with the First Sunday of Advent on November 30th. In anticipation of this remembrance of God's greatest gift to us, Jesus His son, we too extend this deep expression of love to those less fortunate than ourselves in our Annual Giving Tree. Angels with a gift request will be placed on the tree by Thanksgiving Day. These gifts are to be returned **no later than December 14th** so that they can be distributed before Christmas. May God reward you for your generosity.

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The Ladies of Charity will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, November 18th at 6:30 pm in the Pastoral Conference Room. New members are always welcome and are encouraged to attend.



The Woman's Group of St. Bart's is sponsoring a Bake Sale after all masses the weekend of November 22nd & 23rd. They are asking for bakers to donate their favorite goodies to sell at the bake sale. You may drop off baked goods on Friday, November 21st, or before any of the weekend masses. **All proceeds from this event will be used to purchase much needed altar robes for our servers.**



December Life Teen events will be at Saint Joe's in Verona on December 6th, and St. Susanna's on December 20th.

**Pastoral Council
Evening of Discernment
November 24, 2008**

6:30 PM - Pastoral Conference Room

If you have any questions, or you feel called to attend, please call Sister Dorothy.

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Mass Intentions

MON., November 17, Elizabeth of Hungary

10:00 AM Sue Della Cioppa (Family)

TUES., November 18, Weekday

8:00 AM St. Irenaeus

9:00 AM St. Gerard Majella, St. Joseph

WED., November 19, Weekday

8:00 AM St. Irenaeus

9:00 AM St. Gerard Majella, St. Susanna

7:00 PM HOLY HOUR

THURS., November 20, Weekday

10:00 AM Ferla & Henninger Families
(Lois Ferla)

FRI., November 21, Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 AM Clare Regan (Mildred Regan & Family)

SAT., November 22, Vigil, Christ the King

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Ellen Jane Myers (Mary Ann Hall)

SUN., November 23, Christ the King

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:30 AM Earl Schomburger (Wife, Frances)

Please remember in your prayers the sick, shut-ins, and hospitalized members of our parish; also the departed members of our Parish Family



The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of Anthony Calvano from his daughter Pat & family