	lass	ions	for the Week
11-4	Mon	9:00 AM	For the legal protection of
			unborn children
			By Charlie & Jean McKilligan
11-5	Tues	9:00 AM	For the guidance of the Holy
			Spirit in today's election
			By Charlie & Jean McKilligan
11-6	Wed	9:00 AM	All deceased parishioners
11-7	Thurs	9:00 AM	Carmie Mirabito
			By Dan & Ginni Brandt
11-8	Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
11-9	Sat	4:00 PM	Noe Vasquez
			By the Marquez family
11-10	Sun 1	0:30 AM	Emanel "Zeke" & Frances Zieno
			By Thomas Zieno & Maria Aebi

# 2025

#### 2025 Calendars

Calendars are available to be picked up at each of the exits after Mass. Thank you to C.H. Landers and Mirabito Energy Products for generously sponsoring our 2025 calendars.

# 10th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Please join Chris & Jamie Berkeley-Hartjen in the Parish Center to celebrate their anniversary on November 16th after the 4:00 PM Mass. More details and a RSVP is required by visiting https://tinyurl.com/ChrisJamie10th



Thank you to all who helped provide food, set-up and cleanup for the October Parish Coffee. The Faith Formation Office is very grateful.

## **Diocesan Appeal Donations**

Please be aware that all donations to the Diocesan Appeal should be mailed directly to Albany. Donations are no longer processed through individual parish offices.

## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time God is a living reality

All of us firmly believe in God's existence and His living presence in the world. We do not think like others who say that God is just a concept or an idea in a human mind. We hold to the unchanging truth that God is love and He created us in His own image and likeness. As recipients of divine love, it is important that we reflect the image of God in our lives. The readings for this Sunday's liturgy emphasize the need to reflect God's love in our relationships with one another. The readings urge us to love God in all things.

In the first reading, Moses reminded the people of ancient Israel of their covenant obligation toward God. He instructed them to observe God's commandment so they may enjoy a fruitful and prosperous life. He exhorted them thus: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart, your soul, your mind and all your strength" (Deuteronomy 6: 4-6). Those words formed the "Shema" which is a prayer every devout Jew recited twice daily. Moses charged his people to teach the "Shema" diligently to their children so they may abound in God's knowledge and grace. The responsorial psalm echoes the theme of God's steadfast love for us. The psalmist tells us to center our lives on God and acknowledge Him as our stronghold, shield, and salvation.

In the second reading, the letter to the Hebrews speaks of Jesus as our eternal high priest who offered Himself once and for all of us. The author reminds us that Jesus secured eternal salvation for us on the cross. In the gospel, a scholar of the law asked Jesus about which is the first and the greatest of all the commandments. This was an important question because by the time of Jesus there were about 613 laws in the Torah due to the different interpretations that the scribes gave to God's Commandments. The different interpretations made God's precepts burdensome for the chosen people to keep.

In reply, Jesus stated that the whole law and the prophets depend on two laws: love of God and love of neighbor. He referred to the 'Shema' as the first and then linked it with the command of love of neighbor. For Jesus, the two commandments are inseparable. They go hand in hand. We cannot claim to love God and hate our neighbor.

How do you and I show our love of God and love of neighbor? We fulfill this command when we center our lives on God or walk on the path of righteousness, holiness, and truth. We show love when we think well of others or care for their needs.

At each Eucharistic gathering we receive the privilege to celebrate the mystery of God's love and become channels of this gift for others. We go forth to show love by being charitable in our words, actions and thoughts. This week, let us pray for the grace to be a living testament to the unchanging truth about God's existence and His love for everyone. Let us seek the good and the wellbeing of one another. God bless.

Rev. Dr. Ben

Weekend of November 9th & 10th, 2024

First Reading-1 Kings 17:10-16 Second Reading- Hebrews 9:24-28

Saturday 4:00 PM

Fr. Ben Celebrant: Lector: **Dorothy Yaiser** Gene Walsh **Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers** 

Anderson & Garret Callender

**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

Gospel- Mark 12:38-44

Sunday 10:30AM

Fr. Ben Ray Keckeisen Paula Ciborowski Quinn & Ayla Gronwall



# Religious Education 2024-2025

11/3 9:00-10:15 AM Classes for grades Pre-K-10<sup>th</sup> All Saints Assembly

11/10 9:00-10:15 AM Classes for grades Pre-K-10<sup>th</sup>



## Cold and Flu Season

The CDC recommends the following to help prevent the spread of germs.

- Getting a flu vaccine is the most important.
- If you are sick, limit contact with others by staying home.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it. Do not leave it in the pew.
- Wearing a mask is an additional prevention strategy.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

There is sanitizing spray and paper towels available in the vestibule for your use. Tissues and hand sanitizer are by each of the exits.

#### **Share the Bounty**

Thank you to everyone who supports "Share the Bounty" with their time and energy every month continuing to serve the Lord by serving others. Through your efforts, no matter how you help, our numbers keep increasing to bring fellowship and food to our brothers and sisters. May you be greatly blessed for your efforts.

#### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Grow and prosper in your marriage relationship, in keeping with the promise of the Lord. Check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience today. You can find one by looking up WWME.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

November 8-10, Huntington, NY

November 15-17, 2024, Bennington, VT

For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or https://wwmectw.org/.

### **November Bulletin Quotes**

"In addition to enshrining pro-life laws and policies, the transformation of our culture also requires continual conversion of our own hearts, so that we can recognize in every person the face of Christ and place their needs before our own."

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

"Living Radical Solidarity"

## 2024-2025 Diocesan Appeal

There are envelopes available in the vestibule for your contribution if you did not receive a mailing from the Diocese. The assessment for the 2024-2025 appeal for Sacred Heart is \$10,494.00, a decrease of \$4,082.00 from the 2023-2024 appeal. As of October 30<sup>th</sup> as a parish we have collected \$.00.

# **Contributions Envelopes**

In the next few weeks the 2025 contribution envelopes will be available to be picked up in the vestibule. Due to the continued cost increase of envelopes, if you currently have an assigned envelope number but are no longer using them please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. I will make the correction to our files. If you are not using envelopes but would like them please contact the Parish Office and a number will be assigned to you. Thank you!



Remember to vote on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. There are many local and state positions and propositions in addition

to our national elections that are to be decided. There is information on Proposition One that will be on the ballot in New York State in an article in last week's Evangelist as well as on the website of the Archdiocese of New York.

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Steve Pickwick, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Michael Bell, Grady Charles Weigand, Barbara Bennett, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Ray & Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Clare Sterchak, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Barb Doyle, Tom DeMulder, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroleto, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Olivia Ross & family, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Pat Elbrecht, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Danielle & Phil Gugliemo, Jaxson Beadle, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Joan Rice, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldinger, Bonnie Tabone, Austin Kilmer, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Theresa Zieno, Joan & Tony Barber, parishioners with COVI

