

Bulletin – Parish News

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October 30, 2011. Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Christians expect from their priests and bishops the service of the ministerial priesthood, which consists of both sacramental ministration and teaching of the Gospel. If citizens rightly expect from the politicians that they practice what they claim to stand for, all the more do Christians expect the same from their leaders, priests and bishops. Priests should not preach their own words, but the word of God. They should see their task as ministry, service to God's people. Today's Bible readings have a few unkind words for the priests and leaders of the old dispensation. Priests of the new dispensation should heed them. Constructive critique on priests - their sermons, ministry, and leadership - is as wholesome in a parish as fraternal correction. The parish committee meetings may be the opportunity to offer constructive remarks. An honest discussion, motivated by love and concern, may clear up a tense situation. However, remember that only a few priests are endowed with genius. One man can seldom be "good" in all the aspects of Christ's ministry. Try to take your priest, as he is, a limited human being like the rest of us. See in him the man with a message from God, and pray for him.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

And now, O priests, this commandment is for you.

- How do you evaluate local leadership in family, church, and civil circles?

We were gentle among you, as a nursing mother cares for her children.

- How often do you tell the stories of the good and faithful church leaders in your experience?

“Do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice.”

- How can we challenge each other to be people of greater integrity, living as we believe and profess?

Faith Response

Leadership begins in small things. Commit to a daily “mitzvah”, the Hebrew practice of doing a good work. A mitzvah can be a small deed: picking up litter on the street, greeting someone who is normally unfriendly, writing an unexpected note of appreciation, allowing someone else to have his or her way.

HOLY MASSES

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9:00AM Holy Mass for Jean Manowiecki req. by Mludzik family, and for Alexander Mendyk req. by Mendyk family.

11:00AM Polska Msza Św. za duszę śp. Kazimierza Stachyra zam. przyjaciele.

November 06, 2011. Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM Holy Mass for all parishioners.

11:00AM Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is: The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want.

Halloween Party sponsored by S.O.C.L. All are invited. Free will donation will be collected. Sunday, October 30, 2011 from 4:00 to 7:00PM. Games, prizes, good food.

October 30, 2011. East Ridge Lawn Cemetery, Service for our departed loved ones at 2:00PM.

Gift Auction Sunday Nov.13th 2011. Set up Sat. Nov. 12th 1:00PM

Doors open 1:00PM. Auction starts 2:30PM. Table and dark horse gifts are needed. Please see Linda Zulkowski or Ray Bielski if you have any questions.

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: Marian Sowa, Caren Lagerstrom, Donald Forrester, Joseph Zavatsky, Edwin Zulkowski, Bp. Anthony Rysz, Bp. John Swantek, Fr. Senior Eugeniusz Stelmach, Julia Paluszek, Theodore Ciulac, Catherin Zglobicki, Catherin & Frank Kusniesz, Wanda and Andrew Closterman, and all in need of our prayers.

A table has been set up in the church vestibule for our annual Thanksgiving food drive. Please bring in your donation of canned and non-perishable goods by Sunday, November 20, 2011.

On behalf of the Ecumenical Committee of Passaic, I am inviting you to this year's annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service which will be held at St. Anthony of Padua R.C. church, 95 Myrtle Ave. Passaic, on Sunday, November 20, 2011 at 3:30PM.

Pierogi Sale Sat. 12,10, 2011. Volunteers are needed for Thursday 12. 08. 2011, Friday 12.09,2011 and Sat. 12, 10, 2011 to help prepare pierogis. Start time is 8:00AM for both days. You can place your order with Linda Zulkowski after church or by calling 201-7919272 on or before Dec. 08. 2011.

Sacrament of Baptism: Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangement should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

Emergencies, Sickness and Death should be reported to the rectory office immediately.

Welcome to Our Visitors - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.