

# November 5, 2017 **Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, November 4

8:45 a.m. **All Souls Mass Remembrance**

5:00 p.m. **All Souls Mass Remembrance**

### Sunday, November 5

8:00 a.m. **All Souls Mass Remembrance**

10:30 a.m. **All Souls Mass Remembrance**

### Monday, November 6

8:45 a.m. **+ Theresa Rebinski**  
By Henry Rebinski

### Tuesday, November 7

8:45 a.m. **Parishioners of Saint Theodore Church**

### Wednesday, November 8

8:45 a.m. **+Violet and Earl Johnson**  
By Eileen and Jim Mattison

### Thursday, November 9 **NO MASS**

### Friday, November 10

8:45 a.m. **In Thanksgiving of Saint Jude**  
By Angela Gross

### Saturday, November 11

5:00 p.m. **+John, Jr., Theresa and John Adamiak**  
By The Wyker Family

### Sunday, November 12

8:00 a.m. **+Margaret McLaughlin**  
By Altar Rosary Society

10:30 a.m. **+ Doris Clauer Zaveta**  
By Brian and Gerry Moss

Dear Parishioners,

A parishioner has asked me to explain the deficit for fiscal Year 2016-2017, voicing that a significant mistake was done. However, that is not the case as I tried to explain to her.

Most expenses were listed on the report in the bulletin; however, due to the limited space of the bulletin (which some portion must be devoted to the Jesus), the small expenses were left off. Hindsight, I should have grouped them as miscellaneous expenses, But that still would not have told the story of our financial decline. What I did not explain was the fact that we have been in a downfall in the Sunday collections for several years (as all who read the bulletin are aware). The expenses this past fiscal year had necessitated the use of money from our other accounts just to make ends meet. These monies are not reflected in the income for FY 2016-2017, of course. Also

not reflected in the revenue for that FY is the net income from FI 2015-2016 that we also used to meet expenses. These are the expenses that our collections did not cover (but were included in the previous bulletin report), and for which I had paid using money from other accounts and the net income from FY 2015-2016.

--Mary Rupell

*Bishop Checchio stipend for his visit in July*

\$ 200.

*Father's Health Insurance*

1,062.

*Father's Food, Laundry, Household*

1,629.

*Comcast TV, Phones, Internet*

178.

*A & J Painting (outside church)*

22,293.

*Diocese for Property Insurance*

5,000.

*Diocese Assessment*

5,000.

*Diocese Catholic Schools Assessment*

1,000.

*Propane*

4,520.

*7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat at St. Mary*

442.

*Net profit from FY 2015-2016*

3,683.

**\$63,007.**

Our divine Lord warned his disciples, and through them all of us, to avoid that pernicious vice of pride. It should not be hard for any true Christian to avoid this vice. We know that every material and spiritual talent we have has been given us by God, so we must give glory to God for any gifts we possess and not to ourselves. St. Paul reminds us of this fact when he asks us: "What have you that you have not received, and if you have received it why glory in it as if it were your own?" We owe everything we have to God and we should use all the gifts he has given us for his honor and glory, and for that purpose alone.

Do we always do this? Are we never tempted to look down on our less fortunate brothers? If we have got on well in our temporal affairs do we attribute our success to our own skill and hard work or do we thank God for the opportunities he gave to us and not to others. If, aided by God's grace, we are keeping his commandments, do we show contempt for those who give in to temptations which we did not have to meet? The best of us can profit from an examination of

conscience along these lines. If our external observance of the Christian rule of life is motivated solely by love and gratitude to God all is well. But if our hearts are far from God and our motives in our religious behavior is self-glorification, we are in a dangerous position. The sinners and harlots of Christ's day repented and were received into his kingdom; the Pharisees, unable to repent, were left outside.

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**Tricky Tray: December 2, 9:30 a.m. at the Mansfield Township School**

Check out our Basket Theme suggestions posted in the Narthex and again will ask that each family donated a basket of items with a value of at least \$25.



Please wrap your basket with clear cello wrap or clear shrink wrap, if at all possible. It would be helpful if you'd turn in your basket by November 25. ***Gift and Grocery cards are always welcome. Our Altar Rosary Society sells Grocery Cards after all the Masses.***

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Stephen, Bridget M., Savannah Paine, Bobby Gross, Keira Hedges, Peter, Zachary, Logan Peter Saksa, Anna Saksa, Lauren Lane, Jay

Mildrum, Philip Kinney, Kerry Kraft, Peter S., Mary Supple, Mary Rupell, Patty Mahoney, Susan Reynolds, Millie B., Robert Dicheck, Christian, Tara, Zoe, Teagan, Eric Harding, Kathy & Bob Y., Irma Marquart, Dolores Staiano, Gerard Schnaars

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St. Theodore Church Pastoral Council and Trustees Meeting, October 1<sup>st</sup> 2017.

### Summary

The council meeting summarized plans for the Wine Tasting and is hopeful for how it turns out. Lessons were learned so that going forward next year, we can have a smoother path. We talked about repairs needed for the retention pond and how it needs to be done without delay. We welcomed Theresa McLaughlin as a new member. Electronic deposit is still being discussed; the main item being what the cost is and will it be feasible for St. Theodore's. When discussing our Feast Day, it was felt that it should be announced for at least a month ahead on

a weekly basis. And that more information that needs to get out should be done on a weekly basis. Church cleaning is a problem since not many people volunteer; will give service hours to Confirmation candidates. Meeting dates needed to be changed - Sunday mornings were too difficult for a majority. It was decided to have a set date for meetings 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 pm, so we can all plan ahead and the next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 8th at 6:30 pm.

### **Our Weekly Offering**

**Sunday collection needed to meet weekly expenses: \$3,637.**

***(Deficit To Date \$18,626.05)***

October 22: \$2,376.45 (-\$1,260.55)

October 15: \$2,332 (-\$1,305)

October 8: \$1,624.50 (-\$2,012.50)

October 1: \$2,720 (-\$917.)

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### **November Calendar**

**Bible Study every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.**

11/8, 6:30 p.m.: Trustees & Pastoral Council Meeting

11/11, 6 p.m.: Church Anniversary Covered Dish

11/12, 9 & 11 a.m.: Church Anniversary Breakfast & Brunch & Hospitality Sunday

11/17 & 18: Altar Rosary Society Bake Sale

### **Our Church's Anniversary**



We will be celebrating our parish's anniversary on **November 11 and 12**. This year we will be having a covered dish after the 5 pm, 8 am, and 10:30 am Masses. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the Narthex for those kind souls who kindly will provide a covered dish. After the 8 am Mass, the dish should be a breakfast dish; the 10:30 dishes could be brunch or lunch. 5 pm will be a dinner dish.

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